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## Iranian prime minister escapes attempt on life

TEHRAN, April 24 (AP) — An unsuccessful attempt was made Tuesday to kill Prime Minister Mehdi Bazargan and other members of his provisional government as they followed a funeral procession for the former chief of revolutionary forces assassinated Monday.

The attempt was made on one of the capital's main avenues.

An eyewitness reported that a man in an air force uniform tried to hurl a grenade in the direction of Bazargan while he was walking with the head of the procession with government members, including Deputy Prime Minister Abbas Mir Entezam.

Armed guards accompanying the funeral procession knocked the grenade from the would-be assassin's hand. The man then fled with an Uzi submachine gun and tried to fire it but was kicked to the pavement and hustled away.

An aide to Amir Entezam said

afternoon that an assassination attempt "did not happen" during the parade. He offered no explanation, however, of what had happened.

Other sources, meanwhile, also corroborated the report that two people, and possibly more, were taken into custody after the incident.

The eyewitness said it was

believed the would-be assassin was a member of the revolutionary guard. There was no immediate explanation for the attempt on Bazargan's life and those of his ministers.

The funeral procession was for Gen. Muhammad Vahid Gharani, assassinated Monday as he walked in his garden on Pahlavi Avenue — renamed Mossadegh Avenue — by two unknown assailants who escaped.

The funeral services were held in a hospital on the same avenue not far from Gharani's house, and the attack was made as the procession turned onto Mossadegh Avenue.

Bazargan was appointed prime minister by Iran's national religious leader, Ayatollah Khomeini who inspired the Islamic popular uprising that toppled the Shah in February. Airmen were at the forefront of the revolution.

The eyewitness said another man was taken into custody in addition to the would-be assassin and that no shots were fired during the incident.

The 72-year-old Bazargan is not considered a controversial figure and the assassination attempt puzzled observers. There was no immediate identification of members of his government at his side other than Amir Entezam, as they shuffled behind the flag covered

coffin.

In the ensuing chaos, Bazargan was pushed into a car and taken from the scene to safety as well as other officials. The eyewitness said Bazargan appeared shaken as he was momentarily surrounded by revolutionary militiamen to protect him.

Revolutionary authorities reportedly began questioning the would-be assassin to find out what his objectives were and whether he represented an organized group.

Bazargan had earlier paid his last respects to the deceased on the army hospital ground along with government and ranking military officials. Gharani's former military colleagues led the funeral procession out to Mossadegh Avenue.

A mullah in a white turban and long dark robes marched in front of the mourners holding a 45-caliber pistol in his hand.

The coffin, draped with the Iranian flag, was borne by enlisted men in their dress uniforms. Other soldiers in fatigues flanked the coffin along with armed militiamen.

The eyewitness said there was no apparent warning as the grenade and submachine gun toting would-be assassin advanced towards the head of the procession and was apparently stopped before he could pull the pin out of the grenade.

On Tuesday, a secret organization claimed responsibility for the assassination of Gen. Gharani.

A group calling itself "Forghan" issued a statement in Tehran claiming responsibility for the shooting, which also left a glass-cutter working in Gen. Gharani's house wounded.

"Forghan" said its gunmen killed Gharani because of his alleged role in the killing of innocent people in Kurdistan province, during fighting between troops and Kurds last month, and because of his cooperation with the deposed Shah's regime.

Gharani who had served as intelligence chief in the old regime, had been jailed twice by the Shah for his opposition to the monarchy.

The statement said another announcement would follow soon.

Little is known about "Forghan." It announced its formation by distributing leaflets 18 months



ON GUARD: A Mullah armed with a pistol leads the funeral procession of assassinated Gen. Mohammad Vahid Gharani, former revolutionary chief of the armed forces, in Tehran Tuesday. A few minutes earlier there was an attempt on the life of Prime Minister Mehdi Bazargan who was in the procession with other government figures. (AP Photo)

SIDON, April 24 (Agencies) — Israeli warplanes attacked Palestinian positions in Nabatiyeh and in the surrounding hills of southern Lebanon Tuesday, Palestinian sources said.

The rocket and machine gun attack began about 5:30 p.m. after an afternoon lull in Israeli shelling attacks on the area. Hundreds of families from southern Lebanon fled north earlier in the day as Israeli gunboats and border gunners shelled the region.

Provincial authorities said 13 Palestinians and Lebanese have been killed by the Israelis in the last three days. The attacks are seen as retaliation for the loss of four Israelis in a Palestinian raid on the northern Israeli seaside town of Nahariya Sunday.

Authorities said six persons, including a woman and her four-year-old son, were killed in Tuesday's night-long artillery bombardment from the border and a two-hour pre-dawn naval bombardment.

A Palestine Liberation Organiza-

tion spokesman said the town of Adloun and the neighboring village of Saksakiye on the coastal highway 24 miles north of the Israeli frontier took the brunt of the naval barrage.

Other villages on south Lebanon's shore sustained property damage, prompting an exodus into Sidon, 25 miles south of Beirut.

Palestinian spokesmen said their coastal positions fired at the gunboats.

A Lebanese freighter loaded with clothes and canned food for the PLO sank in Tuesday's gunboat shelling of the southern coast, Lebanese police said.

A police report, issued in Beirut, named the vessel as the "Eonia Missak," but did not give its tonnage.

The government of Egypt condemns the Israeli attacks on Lebanon's shore as an aggressive act contradicting peace efforts, a foreign ministry statement carried by the official, Middle East News Agency (MENA) said.

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Until the announcement, the army spokesman for two days had been saying "no comment" to reports from Beirut saying that Israeli gunboats were shelling coastal towns in Lebanon.

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## Egypt orders envoys home from Saudi Arabia, Kuwait

CAIRO, April 24 (Agencies) —

Egypt ordered home its diplomats from Saudi Arabia and Kuwait after the two Arab states cut diplomatic and political relations with Cairo in protest over the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.

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Egyptian officials said the anti-Egypt move had been expected since 18 Arab states gathered in Baghdad last month to invoke sanctions against President Anwar Sadat for signing the separate peace accord with Israel. On Tuesday, Mauritania announced that it was also terminating relations with Egypt.

It was not really a surprise and we have been preparing ourselves for it since the Baghdad meeting," said the spokesman, who barred use of his name.

The foreign ministry spokes-

man said no time limit had been set for Egyptian diplomats to return home or for Saudi and Kuwaiti envoys to leave Cairo.

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Together with Kuwait and other oil-producing Arab states Saudi Arabian aid has amounted to more than \$11 billion since the 1967 war.

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The prime minister said after a lengthy meeting of Egypt's 32-member cabinet that "all Arabs are welcome in Egypt despite the severing of diplomatic relations with the two countries."

This was so, he said, "because we think this is something that will end in the near future and nothing could really affect relations between the Arab nation, especially Egyptians and other Arabs."

Khalil reiterated in an interview with Cairo Radio, meanwhile, that

it was not really a surprise and we have been preparing ourselves for it since the Baghdad meeting," said the spokesman, who barred use of his name.

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**At Islamic ministers' meeting****Egypt may be expelled from OIC**

JEDDAH, April 24 — The possible suspension of Egypt's membership is not yet on the agenda of the Islamic Foreign Ministers Conference in Fez, Morocco, May 8-12, according to OIC Assistant Secretary General for Political Affairs Kacem Zihri, but Arab states have resolved to work for its expulsion.

He was quoted by "Al-Jazeera" newspaper Tuesday as saying that "Egypt is a full fledged member of the Organization."

Zihri said that the ninth Resolution of the Baghdad Arab foreign and finance ministers' conference stipulated that Arab states will urge the Organization of the

Islamic Conference to suspend Egypt's membership, but that this recommendation was not binding for the Islamic Conference.

Only if the foreign ministers so decide will the Islamic Secretariat do so, but the Islamic Secretariat has no authority to make the decision alone.

He said that although Egypt's

suspension from the OIC does not figure on the agenda, it might come up for discussion as part of events on the Arab and Islamic scenes, Jerusalem and the Palestinian problem, and all this is of course is connected to the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty signed last month in Washington.

Neither the Baghdad Conference, nor the United Nations, nor any organization's decisions were binding on the OIC, but only what Islamic foreign ministers themselves decide.

All 42 member states of the organization, including Egypt, were expected to attend the conference.

On the Zionists' desecration of the Holy Quran in occupied Jerusalem, Zihri said that such violations were not new; the novelty is that they recently attacked the endowments center and other sanctuaries in the Holy City.

The OIC had issued a statement drawing the attention of the Islamic world to such despicable assaults on the freedom of religion there.

He expected a strong response to this appeal, which will be shown in the resolutions of the foreign ministerial conference.

**By 1980**

**Qasim to get 22 schools**

QASIM, April 24 (SPA) — At least 22 schools will be opened in the Qassim district by 1980, Regional Director of Education Sulaiman Al-Shalash says.

Other projects include a students' hostel of international specifications, more summer centers and an institute for the blind in Buraidah.

There are now 450 schools in the region with more than 50,000 students.

Shalash said the government spent nearly SR4.4 million on 487 school buses.

The school meal program had achieved excellent results.



DANCE: The Moroccan dance troupe in the Kingdom as part of the Moroccan Culture Week performs in Jeddah.

**Drilling for minerals****Red Sea survey starts soon**

By a Staff Reporter

JEDDAH, April 24 — Sedeco, an American ship leased by the Saudi-Sudanese Commission for the Exploitation of Red Sea Resources, is to start surveying mineral deposits shortly.

It will drill to a depth of up to 2,400 meters below the sea in the area the Commission has designated "Atlantis".

Speaking to "Arab News" last year, the Sudanese Minister of Energy and Minerals, Dr.

Muhammad Sharif Tuhami

said that it was already known that

the muds could yield zinc, copper,

silver, lead, cadmium, iron, sul-

phur, and other minerals.

By October of last year the

commission had preliminary tests.

Saudi Arabia has undertaken to

pay the whole SR350 million cost

of the operation.

Nawab said another ship, the

German-registered Philadelphia,

has recently arrived in Jeddah to

join the Sedeco in preliminary

exploration. The operation involv-

ing the two ships will cost

SR200,000 per day.

This final stage, known as the

"pre-pilot mining phase," will

assess the best method for extract-

ing the deep-water muds.

The Commission, which was

formed in 1974 and went into

operation a year later, aims to

explore the mineral resources of

the sector of the Red Sea lying

between Sudan and Saudi Arabia.

Exploration work is being undertaken with the French Bureau des Recherches Géologiques et Minières as consultant and Preussag of Hanover as research contractor.

During its meeting in Jeddah last December the Commission decided to participate in two international meetings connected with its mining activities. The first will be held in Paris next year and the second in Khartoum later.

**Riyadh car park deals let**

RIYADH, April 24 (SPA) — Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs Prince Majed Tuesday signed an 18-month contract for a local firm to build two eight-storey parking lots here in Shalqa and Al-Azzia districts to accommodate up to 1,000 cars.

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DAMMAM, April 24 (SPA) — Governor of the Eastern Province Prince Abdul Mohsen ibn Juhwi will next Thursday dedicate a new civil defense center at Rahima.

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**Swiss watch team coming**

JEDDAH, April 24 (SPA) — A four-member Swiss delegation from the watch-making industry arrives here to discuss investing in Saudi Arabia and to tour Riyadh, Jeddah, Dhahran and Taif.

**Fawaz cuts ribbon today at newest Jeddah hospital**

By John Close

struction company built the hospital in eighteen months.



Prince Fawaz

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The Jeddah Medical Center which will have a residency program, is the latest evidence of growing private sector investment in hospitals. The Ministry of Finance and National Economy provides an interest-free loan to cover half the cost of construction.

The computer will be the center's brain. Each ward will have selective access to its memory banks, which will handle not only the center's accounts but also

Two years ago there were no private hospitals in the city. By the end of the year, Jeddah will have six.

**Ministers meet****2,230 enrol for vocational training**

RIYADH, April 24 (SPA) — The vocational training session which started in February has enrolled 2,230 students at 15 centers across the Kingdom. Muhammad Al-Dalan, director-general of vocational training at the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs says.

Evening classes at those centers have also been well attended.

Students receive training in electrical engineering, welding, motor mechanics, refrigeration and airconditioning repairs, plumbing, carpentry and architecture.

Although the scheme was given Royal Approval only two years ago, 4,271 students had graduated by the end of the year's first quarter, he said.

Tuesday Minister of Labor and Social Affairs Sheikh Ibrahim Al-Anqari conferred with visiting Indonesian Minister of Manpower Haroun Zeid.

Later, in a statement to SPA, the Indonesian minister praised Saudi labor laws and said he would inform his government about the fair and full services given to workers under Saudi labor laws.

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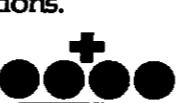
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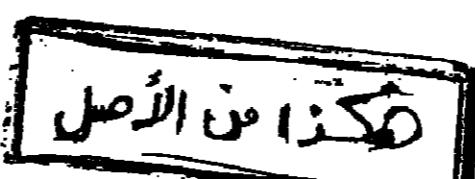
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## Olcun confers with Saud

RIYADH, April 24 — Turkish Foreign Minister Gunduz Olcun Tuesday held talks with Prince Saud Al-Faisal who touched on preparations for the Islamic Foreign Ministers Conference in Fez, Morocco, next month. He was also received by King Khalid (See story page one).

Olcun had arrived earlier in the day from Qatar.

He said he was glad to visit Saudi Arabia, especially because of the honor of meeting King Khalid.

He said his visit was part of the continuous dialogue between the two countries on all issues of mutual interest, including economic and technical cooperation.

His talks here, he said, are intended to consolidate the interests of both countries and help stabilize world peace.

Minister of Finance and National Economy Sheik Muhammad Aba Al-Khair visited Turkey recently, and after his talks with senior officials and Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit the Kingdom agreed to extend a credit of \$250 million to assist Turkey in its payments difficulties.

In Doha, Olcun said earlier

Tuesday Turkey was seeking closer links with the Gulf states, and that Turkey planned to establish an embassy there this year.

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## Afghanistan army mutiny reported

LONDON, April 24 (R) — An Afghan regiment has mutinied in Jalalabad, 120 kilometers east of the capital Kabul, killing officers who supported the pro-Communist government, according to reports emerging from Afghanistan.

The reports, which could not be immediately confirmed, said the mutineers were immediately surrounded by troops loyal to President Nur Muhammad Tarakki.

The mutiny occurred three days ago when Afghanistan closed its border post with Pakistan at Tor-khan for several hours, the reports said.

Last month another regiment

mutinied in the western city of Herat. It was put down ruthlessly after five days of bloodshed in which several dozen Soviet advisers were killed.

There has been intermittent fighting in Afghanistan since the pro-Communist regime took power in a coup a year ago. The government has blamed foreign infiltrators and agents of imperialism for the violence.

President Tarakki said in a speech six days ago that imperialist forces had made 61 attacks on Afghanistan government posts in Paktia province, bordering Pakistan, but his troops had dealt them smashing blows.



FIGHTING: Iranian Turks hold a position in Naghadeh, northwest Iran, where fighting between them and Kurdish residents broke out four days ago. The revolutionary army has sent in a 600-man force in an attempt to contain the situation. (See story page one). (AP photo)

## ILO team raps Israel's labor policy in Arab lands

GENEVA, April 24 (R) — Israel lacks an appropriate investment and manpower policy for Arab territories it occupies, and this seriously threatening the economic prospects of these areas, an International Labor Organization (ILO) report says.

The report summarized the views of a three-man ILO mission which spent two weeks earlier this year touring Arab lands held by Israel since the Middle East wars of 1967 and 1973 to check on conditions of Arab workers there.

The mission, headed by ILO Assistant Director-General Nicholas Valticos of Greece, said Monday it "viewed the employment situation in the occupied Arab territories as a matter of serious concern and stressed the need for an investment and manpower policy corresponding to the specific requirements of the population."

"Absence of such a policy seriously jeopardizes further prospects of the currently occupied Arab territories," it added.

But the mission said it was pleased to see that Israeli authorities, responding to a recommendation by a similar ILO visit last year, had decided to allocate to the occupied territories income tax revenue by Arabs from the area working in Israel.

Other members of the mission were two French senior ILO officials, Claude Rossillon and Jean-Paul Artes. The ILO said that, between last Feb. 25 and March 10 they met employers, workers, Arab and Israeli officials, academics and military administrators in Jerusalem, the West Bank, Gaza, Sinai and Golan.

The mission and its predecessor which visited the area in April last year were despatched by ILO Director-General Francis Blanchard to fulfill a pledge he would make sure whether conditions of Arab workers in the occupied areas conformed to ILO principles and objectives.

This issue has been at the center of stormy debates in the 139-member ILO in recent years, with Arab countries accusing Israel of racial discrimination against Arab workers and violation of trade union freedoms in the occupied territories.

Blanchard said he would submit the mission report to the ILO's Annual Assembly here next June. He added he would continue to follow the situation in the territories and inform the assembly of future developments.

The ILO mission reported that Israeli authorities closely watched trade union organizations in the occupied territories, and "stood in their way" when they considered trade union activities.

## Row over Egypt's participation ends Euro-Arab news meeting

VIENNA, April 24 (R) — European and Arab news agencies abandoned a conference on cooperation Tuesday, after an anti-Egyptian boycott by 16 Middle East press services.

The third conference of European and Arab news agencies was adjourned indefinitely at a 15-minute session attended only by 24 European agencies and Egypt's Middle East news agency (MEA).

Arab invitees apart from Egypt also boycotted Monday's opening session in protest against the seating of MENA, and rejected European efforts for a compromise.

Andreas Berghold, general manager of the Austrian APA press agency, said the boycott made it impossible to discuss plans for news sharing and other forms of cooperation.

The conference, ended with a four-paragraph statement which said a dialogue between European and Arab news agencies "is of historic significance and should continue."

The statement, setting no date

for future contacts, was approved by the European agencies, including officials from Soviet bloc countries, and by MENA Editor-in-Chief Youssouf Amer, the only Arab agency representative present.

Officials said it was endorsed by the other 16 Arab agencies.

A committee of European and Arab agencies will decide when conditions are ripe for reopening the dialogue, the statement said.

### Three MPs quit Ecevit's party

ANKARA, April 24 (AP) — Three members of parliament resigned from Premier Bulent Ecevit's ruling Republican People's Party Monday, seriously undermining the government's slim majority in the 450-seat assembly. The deputies, Esref Cengiz, Ramazan Vilidir and Metin Musoglu are from the provinces of Diyarbakir. In their letters of resignation, the deputies cited ineffectual handling by the government of bloody political terrorism in Turkey.

### Bomb kills its owner in Israel

TEL AVIV, April 24 (AP) — Police said Tuesday they are investigating an incident in which one man was killed and another wounded while attempting to place an explosive device underneath a parked car in the Palestinian village of Silwan outside of Jerusalem.

### Lebanon to attend Cuba summit

BEIRUT, April 24 (R) — A Cuban envoy Tuesday handed Lebanese President Elias Sarkis an invitation to attend next September's nonaligned summit conference in Havana. Foreign Trade Minister Marcelo Fernandez Font told reporters later that President Sarkis had told him Lebanon would participate in the conference.

## U.S. won't deport Iranians for now

WASHINGTON, April 24 (AP) — U.S. immigration officials have said no Iranians in the United States will be forced to leave this country before Sept. 1 because of the unstable situation in Iran.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) said Monday the decision will put off for the time being deportation proceedings that are pending against any Iranians in the United States.

A State Department official said the Sept. 1 date was selected to permit time for U.S. officials to assess the political turbulence in Iran in the aftermath of the fall of the Shah.

The official said he would not call the policy a form of temporary asylum. But he added, "Out of fairness we don't think people who don't want to go back should be forced to return."

A Justice Department official said the decision probably would have its greatest effect on military personnel and former members of the Iranian embassy here.

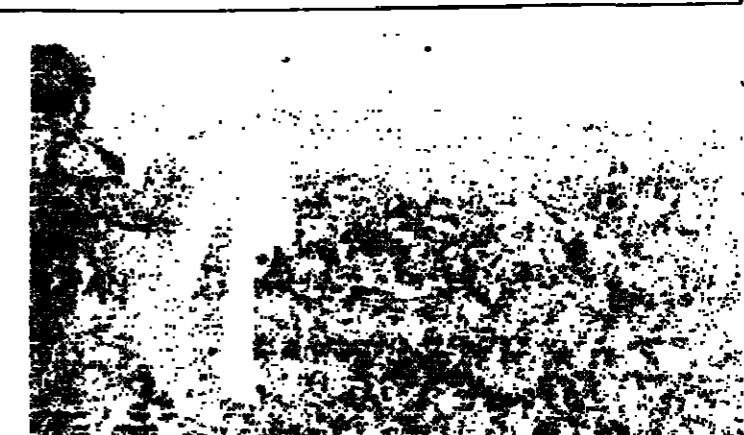
The Justice Department official said it might also affect some students who could be subject to deportation. But they said they had no way of determining how many could be affected.

There are approximately 50,000 Iranian students who are properly enrolled at American colleges and universities and an undetermined additional number who are no longer enrolled in the colleges they are supposed to be attending.

The INS said that deportation hearings will be postponed until after Sept. 1 for Iranians if they have not already begun. Hearings that are already underway will be concluded, but no one will be forced to leave the United States before Sept. 1.

The decision will have no effect on anyone who plans to leave voluntarily.

In addition, the decision will not apply to Iranians who have been convicted of felonies. They are still subject to immediate deportation.



AUCTION: The luxury wardrobe of Princess Shams, elder sister of the Shah, being auctioned by a revolutionary guard Sunday at her confiscated palace at Karaj, 40 miles west of Tehran. The auction is to raise money for the poor. (AP photo)

## Sen. Baker urges Carter to grant asylum to Shah

WASHINGTON, April 24 (AP) — U.S. Senate Republican leader Howard Baker has called on President Jimmy Carter's administration to grant asylum to the exiled Shah of Iran.

Failure to do so will call into question the willingness of the United States to aid its friends in time of trouble, the Tennessee senator said Monday.

The administration has made it known to the Shah that he would not be welcome to take up residence in the United States, at least while U.S. relations with the successor regime in Iran remain tenuous.

Baker said refusal to help the Shah could anger such U.S. allies as the oil-rich Arab states of the Middle East and might at some point jeopardize the petroleum supply line.

## Indian soldiers accused of spying for Pakistan

NEW DELHI, April 24 (R) — Some 50 Indian soldiers including about 20 officers were arrested in January for passing military secrets to Pakistan and are now facing courts martial, press reports said Tuesday.

Newspapers said the men were stationed on the Pakistan border in Kashmir, which has been divided between India and Pakistan since the partition of the subcontinent in 1947.

The "Hindustan Times" said the authorities had evidence that some of the soldiers frequently crossed the border to make the Pakistani contacts and collect rewards in cash and kind.

They passed on detailed information on the location of border units and armaments as well as maps, contingency plans and other documents, the reports said.

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**More consultations****SALT treaty faces delay**

**WASHINGTON**, April 24 (Agencies) — U.S.-Soviet strategic arms limitation talks are likely to stretch into next week, delaying a summit and treaty-signing until late May or early June.

Carter administration officials said Monday both sides have offered new ideas to break the impasse over final details of a treaty, but more consultations would be needed.

This indicated there would be at least two more sessions between Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin, the principal negotiators.

"I would be surprised if we get it this week," an official said. "But we should have it in the next week or so."

U.S. ability to monitor Soviet missile tests is shaping up as the biggest issue in the Senate debate on ratification of the treaty.

The officials also responded to critics of the treaty by showing previously classified data showing that Soviet tests could be monitored successfully despite the closure of U.S. listening posts in Iran.

Officials said once treaty

negotiations were completed, it would take three weeks to a month to prepare the summit between President Jimmy Carter and Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev.

The summit is almost certain to be held at a neutral site in Europe because of the Soviet leader's shaky health.

In a speech to the National Academy of Sciences here, Carter called on science professionals "to help shape an educated public debate" on SALT.

Noting that many of the issues involved "are very complex technically," the participation of scientists will be crucial.

Carter said, "If science gave us nuclear weapons, it is no less true that science has given us the extraordinary means of verifying compliance with treaties governing those weapons."

In general terms, the president said, "SALT II will reduce the risk of nuclear war by lowering levels of strategic arms, constraining development of new weapons systems, and contributing to a more stable political relationship with the Soviet Union."

Vance and Dobrynin have been meeting regularly over the past few weeks on major sticking

points. These have included a definition of new missile systems and methods of assuring verification of terms of the treaty.

The accord would limit U.S. and Soviet long-range bombers and intercontinental ballistic missiles through 1985. It has been in negotiation for seven years and seemingly on the verge of completion for 18 months.

Carter, returning from an 11-day vacation, scheduled a number of public appearances this week. White House press secretary Jody Powell said the president would concentrate on SALT in a speech Wednesday in New York to the American Newspaper Publishers Association. But Powell ruled out any announcement of a SALT II treaty on that occasion.

The venue of the summit is also unsettled, primarily because of Brezhnev's uncertain health.

Consideration has been given to Helsinki, Finland, which Brezhnev could reach by train. Geneva, Switzerland, is another possibility.

The last three summits were held in the Soviets' Union. As a result, there seems virtually no prospect of Carter going to Moscow.

The White House press office sponsored an "informational" briefing for reporters on the impending treaty. Powell said it did not signal that a treaty is at hand.

**Police say Los Angeles 'Hillside Strangler' caught**

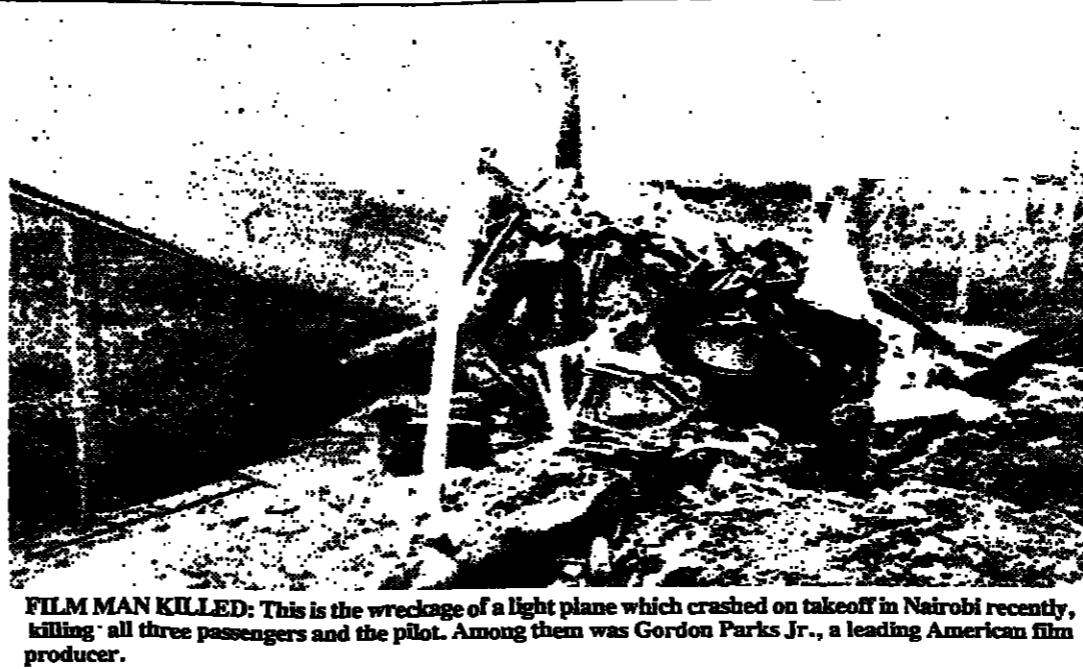
**LOS ANGELES**, April 24 (AP) — California authorities seeking the elusive Hillside Strangler say they think they have their man: a 27-year-old former police studies student who earlier had been dropped as a suspect.

Los Angeles police chief Daryl Gates said at a news conference Monday that his department, the Los Angeles County Sheriff and Glendale, California, Police are seeking charges in 10 of the 13 stranglings against Kenneth Bianchi. Bianchi has pleaded innocent by reason of insanity to two similar murders in Bellingham, Washington, where he is in custody.

"We now believe that we have a case put together which we plan to submit to the district attorney sometime this week," Gates said.

"We believe the evidence will support that Bianchi was involved in seven murders in the city of Los Angeles, two under the sheriff's jurisdiction and one in the city of Glendale."

Bianchi, an adopted child who grew up in Rochester, New York, lived in Los Angeles from 1975 until he moved to Washington State last May, three months after



FILM MAN KILLED: This is the wreckage of a light plane which crashed on takeoff in Nairobi recently, killing all three passengers and the pilot. Among them was Gordon Parks Jr., a leading American film producer.

**Protection from Soviet attack****U.S. missile deployment viewed**

**WASHINGTON**, April 24 (AP) — A high-level U.S. Defense Department group assessing the best way to deploy a new long-range missile to survive a Soviet surprise attack has suggested two or three "acceptable" solutions, defense sources say.

The option eventually chosen by the Carter administration will play a critical role in the U.S. Senate ratification debate on the proposed SALT II treaty to limit nuclear missiles and bombers.

But there has been considerable controversy over how the missiles should be based.

Defense Department officials, who asked not to be identified, said the preferred options proposed to Brown by a high-level Pentagon study council include a "shell game" deployment favored by the Air Force; a system in which airplanes would carry the missiles; or a combination of air and land basing.

Each option would make it difficult for Soviet targeters to plan an attack.

Brown will make his recommendation to U.S. President Jimmy Carter after studying the report of the Defense Systems Acquisition Review Council, which studied the problem for nearly a month. Carter will make

the final decision.

The sources said the proposed options range in estimated cost from about \$20 billion to some \$39 billion. They would be combat-ready by about 1986, if full-scale development begins this year.

The formal report will lay out six or seven possible options, officials said, but focuses on two or three of them as acceptable.

All would involve deploying some 200 big new missiles, each capable of carrying up to 10 nuclear warheads. The present land-based Minuteman III carries triple warheads.

The newest concept contemplates 100 missiles in fixed ground silos and another 100 in specially built airplanes from which they could be fired at targets inside the Soviet Union.

Pentagon officials estimate such a mixed system would cost about \$25 billion to develop and build, about midway between the estimated price of a "shell game" concept and a fully airmobile system.

Under the shell game idea, the missiles would be shuttled by truck among about 4,500 launching holes and the Russians would have to guess where they were at any given time to be confident of knocking them out.

**Seeking funds**  
**Ugandan ministers meet Kenyan aides**

**NAIROBI**, April 24 (R) — Ministers in the new Ugandan government met Kenyan leaders Tuesday for talks seen as vital in the rebuilding of Uganda's economy after eight years of chaotic rule by Idi Amin.

The two sides met as a Kenyan newspaper, "The Standard," reported that the eastern Ugandan towns of Mbale and Soroti had been "liberated" Monday by guerrilla units moving ahead of the army of President Yusufu Lule's new government. The troops are pressing farther south to reopen the essential landline to Kenya.

At the start of Tuesday's talks, Ugandan Foreign Minister Otema Alimadi said, "We have an enormous task to reconstruct our country after eight years of misrule and destruction of life and property."

"We cannot do this in isolation," he said. "We definitely need the goodwill of friendly countries like Kenya."

Alimadi said the new administration attached great importance to road, rail and probably air transport links between the two countries.

Kenyan Foreign Minister Munya Waiyaki said, "Kenya is ready to cooperate in every way possible with the Ugandan government and is ready to give every assistance for the reconstruction of the sister country of Uganda."

He said it was not always real-

**Ex-chief of BOSS goes before scandal committee**

publicly called a farce.

An interim report issued by the Erasmus Commission last December said van den Berg was deeply implicated in irregularities at the government's now-disbanded Information Department, particularly its funding of the English-language newspaper "The Citizen."

This brought an immediate reprimand from the general that he was being made a scapegoat.

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## Protester killed as leftists fight police in Britain

LONDON, April 24 (AP) — An estimated 5,000 demonstrators, mostly leftists and non-whites, fought a large force of police guarding an election meeting held by the ultra-rightist National Front in West London Monday.

Police reported one man, identified as New Zealand schoolteacher Blair Peach, died of severe head injuries.

Peach, aged about 30, was a member of the Anti-Nazi League, the umbrella organization for several organizations formed to oppose the National Front's campaign to end all non-white immigration.

Police said the death was "suspicious," but declined further comment.

It was not clear whether Peach was struck by police or hit by mistake in the barrage of bricks and bottles the demonstrators hurled at police in the swirling street fighting around a hall in Southall, a predominantly Asian immigrant section.

Police said 40 other persons, 18 of them officers, were injured. Two officers were taken to a hospital in serious condition with knife wounds.

Scotland Yard said more than 300 demonstrators, mostly non-whites, were arrested.

It was the most violent incident in the campaign for the May 3 general election and the second big battle involving the National Front. On Saturday, 30 policemen were injured as they fought protesters trying to stop an authorized march by Front members in Leicester, central England, another Asian immigrant area.

The demonstrators had arrived at Southall, while about 100 Front members were escorted by police to the town hall for their meeting.

In the first flare-up, police with truncheons and riot shields charged and scattered hundreds of youths who had been pelting their lines with rocks, bottles and other missiles.

The protesters reformed and launched their own assault as reinforcements arrived to strengthen cordon around the hall.

Smoke bombs were thrown at police and then young men and women attacked, breaking

**Near Thai border**

## Vietnamese shell Cambodian civilians

BANGKOK, April 24 (AP) — Vietnamese artillery Tuesday fired into tens of thousands of Cambodians trekking in long columns along the frontier inside Thailand.

Border officials, saying that more than 60 rounds fell into the Cambodians loyal to deposed Premier Pol Pot, suspected that there had been casualties but could not immediately provide details.

The Cambodians, estimated at up to 50,000 civilians and soldiers, were last reported by newsmen on the scene as moving back into Cambodia and into a rugged area about 45 kilometers southwest of the Key Thai town of Aranyaprathet.

The group had been forced into Thailand last weekend under heavy pressure from tank-led Vie-

through the first line.

Many of the police and demonstrators staggered away, their faces covered with blood and white paint tossed at the combatants by demonstrators in the rear.

At one point, youths in the upper stories of a building threw bricks and furniture down on police until a squad of officers smashed their way into the building and dragged the demonstrators out.

National Front members arrived at the hall in a convoy of cars and passed through the police lines to howls, screams and clenched-fist salutes from the protesters.

The Front's national organizer, Martin Webster, told reporters, "the trouble at meetings like this is the result of Britain being a multi-racial society. Southall is part of England and we are exercising our legal and moral rights to campaign."

Owners of shops and cafes near the hall had boarded up windows after approval was given for the rally. Some factories sent workers home early.

The Front has no members of parliament but has elected some members to local councils.

It is running candidates for this election, with some in districts predominantly immigrants from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and the West Indies.

## 'Times' overseas edition cold-shouldered by union

LONDON, April 24 (AP) — The main British journal's union has instructed its members to honor a printers' union picket line at the London "Times" and not to work on the paper's planned new weekly overseas edition.

The "Times" has not published its daily and Sunday papers or its several supplements since last Nov. 30 because of dispute over the introduction of new technology which threatened the jobs of many printers.

The "Times" chapel of the National Union of Journalists (NUJ), which has agreed to the new technology, said its members



HOPEFUL: Conservative Party leader Margaret Thatcher waves at cheering crowds in London. Monday a record number of candidates entered the May 3 general election, which polls now predict she will win comfortably. (AP photo.)

### With some eccentrics

## Record number to run in U.K.

LONDON, April 24 (AP) — The largest number of candidates ever to contest a British general election has been nominated for the ballot on May 3.

After nominations closed Monday, officials said 2,571 candidates were entered for the races in the 635 constituencies. The previous highest figure was 2,252 candidates in October 1974.

The rightist National Front is fielding 301 candidates in the elec-

tion, the largest number after the three major parties. The Labor Party has 625 runners, the Conservative 621 and the Liberals 595.

A host of fringe groups and independent no-hoppers were entered, including the Ecology

Party, which wants to preserve everything, the Workers' Revolutionary Alliance envisaging total destruction of all institutions, and the Cornish Nationalists seeking self-rule for their county.

There is even an organization called BSEP —British Socialist Empire Party.

MOSCOW, April 24 (R) — Soviet concern over recent stagnation in East-West detente is expected to set the tone for talks in Moscow this week between President Valery Giscard d'Estaing and President Leonid Brezhnev.

Giscard's visit starting late Wednesday, was to have been taken place at the end of March but was postponed at two days' notice when Brezhnev, 72, fell ill with inflammation of the lungs. Brezhnev has since resumed duties, but is markedly less vigorous.

With China's new moves on the world scene and strains in U.S.-Soviet relations, the Kremlin appears to be aiming to breathe new life into its ties with France. The "special relationship" forged after the late President Charles de Gaulle visited Moscow in 1966 has worn thin in recent years, despite frequent high-level dialogue, joint declarations and extensive economic and technical cooperation.

Differences over such issues as disarmament, Africa, China and detente largely remain, but both sides have recently indicated they want to improve their ties.

On a visit to Paris last October, Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko described the Franco-Soviet detente as "traditionally privileged" and called for hard work to develop it.

When he came to Moscow in February to prepare for the latest summit, the Foreign Minister Jean

Francois-Poncet publicly reassured the Kremlin that detente remained central to French policy.

Disagreement over the interpretation of detente — whether or not it should include the ideological struggle — marred Giscard's last visit to Moscow in 1975.

The issue again caused problems when the two leaders last met at Rambouillet outside Paris in 1977.

The ground for this week's summit has been meticulously prepared in a series of meetings between French and Soviet ministers and Western diplomats believe both sides are keen to play down differences.

Brezhnev is expected to hold two or three sessions with the French leader, and then join him in signing a general political document and two agreements covering the next decade of Franco-Soviet economic cooperation.



Leonid Brezhnev

As part of the same faltering of detente, top Soviet science officials on Monday voiced their firmest rebuttal to date against organized efforts by thousands of American scientists to curb East-West contacts and joint research in protest over Kremlin treatment of dissidents.

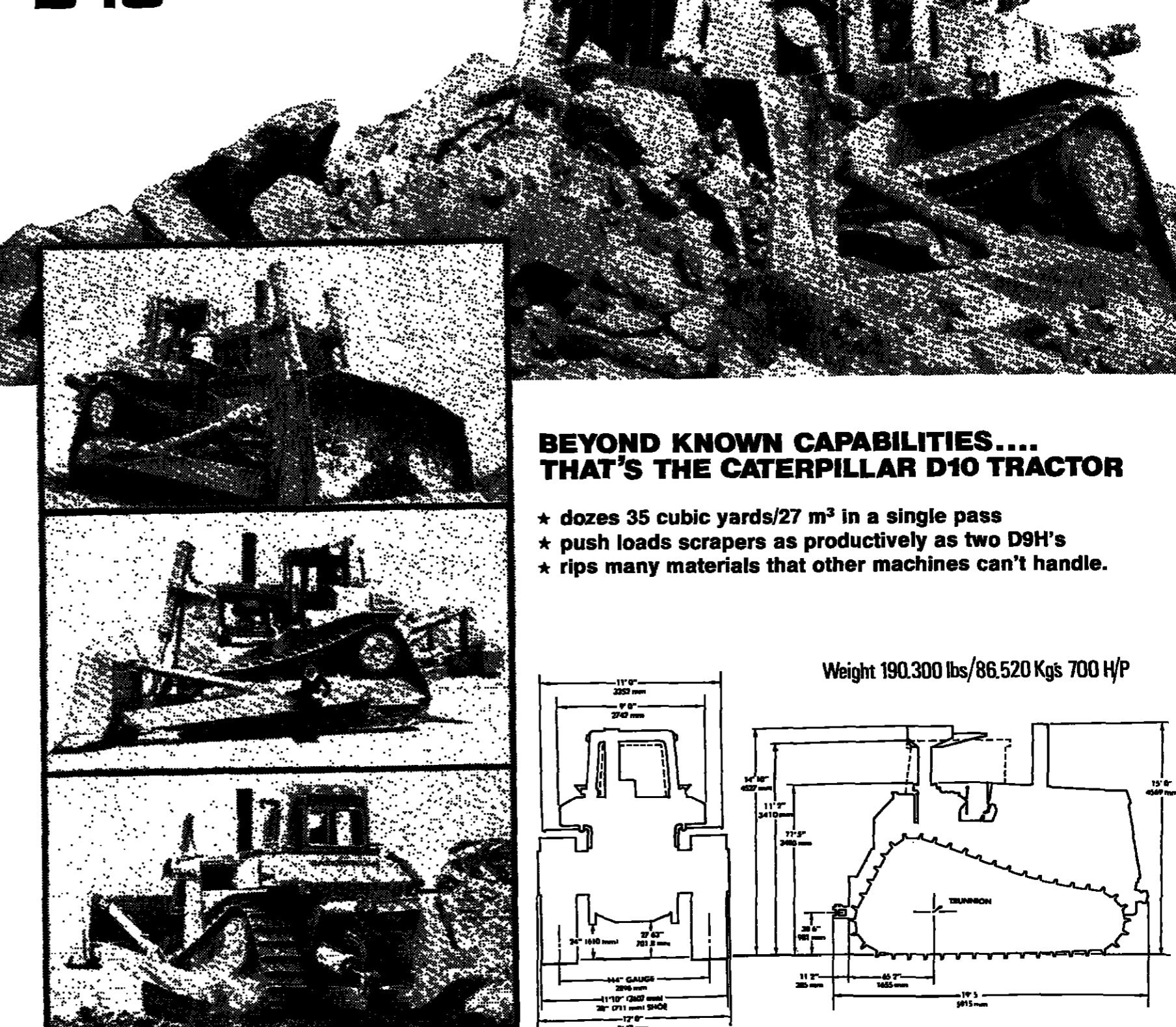
## Swiss expel Soviet U.N. envoy for alleged spying

GENEVA, April 24 (R) — A first secretary at a Soviet mission to the United Nations in Geneva has been expelled from Switzerland for spying.

The Federal and Police Department said Monday the man, who was not named, had engaged in military, economic and political espionage, and had left the country in the past few days.

An official declined to say whether any of the other 300 Soviet representatives to international organizations in Geneva were under investigation.

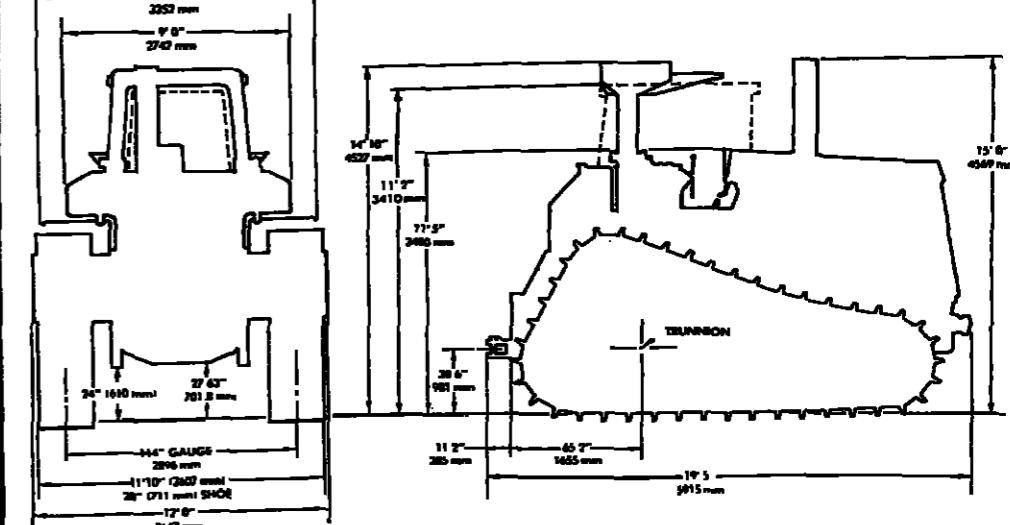
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NEW DELHI, April 24 (AP) — Bhave began his fast a week after 110 persons were killed in Jamsheedpur, eastern India, where Hindus and Muslims clashed for five days. The incident was triggered by a Hindu procession.

Home Minister H.M. Patel has said Bhave would not be force-fed, a tactic sometimes used against hunger strikers the government finds troublesome, as Bhave was not an "ordinary" person.

Police reinforcements have been called out in West Bengal because of a fear that sectarian violence might erupt after Bhave's possible death.

West Bengal and Kerala, which both have sizable non-Hindu communities, have refused to implement more stringent curbs against boycott or cow slaughter.

Three other states have announced they would outlaw interstate shipping of cows for slaughter.

Former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi has come out in support of Bhave's fast leading to some criticism that she is trying to politicize a potentially volatile issue. She will visit Pauram on Thursday, her secretary said.

Air traffic control staff in severely short supply

BRUSSELS, April 24 (AP) — There is a serious worldwide shortage of air traffic control personnel and equipment, air controllers have said at their annual conference here.

The shortage extended to countries like Switzerland, which only a few years ago was considered sufficiently manned and equipped.

Air controllers explained that no matter how well equipped some areas or countries may be, if planes meet ill-equipped zones next to them, air routes will become jammed.

They were also expected to press for a higher professional status and higher pay, claiming their job is becoming more demanding technically, physically and psychologically.

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## Sadat's 'tough guys' worry Israel

By Eric Silver

TEL AVIV —

Israel is determined not to let President Sadat create facts, a practice in which he has a certain expertise. Israel's Premier Begin has intervened three times recently after pre-emptive announcements from Cairo, finally using the new hot line for a direct challenge to the President.

The Israeli prime minister was provoked by his Egyptian opposite number, Mustapha Khalil, and by the Deputy Foreign Minister, Boutros Ghali, who is to all intents and purposes the foreign minister.

They had maintained that Egypt would be free to help Syria if it tried to regain the Golan Heights by force, that the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty provided a model for total withdrawal from all occupied territories, and that borders would be opened after 15 months.

Tel Aviv was not unduly alarmed by these declarations. It recognized that the Egyptians were playing to a domestic and Arab gallery. But Begin served notice that the Cairo interpretation of the treaty would not be sanctified by Israel's default.

On the third point, he won confirmation from Sadat that borders would be open from May 28, immediately after Israel had returned El Arish to Egypt.

Officials here believe that Khalil and Ghali cast themselves in the role of the bad guys as a foil to the genial Sadat. To some extent this reflects a genuinely harder attitude. They have reservations about the peace process and are not as ready as the president for reconciliation with the Jewish state. But it also suits Sadat to have this two senior aides talking tough.

Khalil, it is argued here, could not have boycotted Begin's Cairo visit without the president's acquiescence. With an eye to the forthcoming negotiations on Palestinian autonomy, and in the hope ultimately of softening Arab sanctions, it was worth Egypt's while having a leader who had kept his distance. Both sides know they face a year of very difficult bargaining. Although some Israeli leaders think a compromise will be possible on the Palestinian issue, others are far from sure.

The Foreign Minister, Moshe Dayan, is trying to limit Jewish settlement on the West Bank as a way of reducing friction. He is meeting strong resistance from the expansionist wings of the Likud and the National Religious Party, the two biggest coalition partners.

Demonstrative progress towards Palestinian self-determination would be Egypt's best return ticket to the Arab fold, giving the lie to those who contend that Sadat has made a separate peace. But Israeli experts wonder whether anything less than a Palestinian state will be enough to do the trick.

If not, they suspect Sadat will be confronted a year hence with the choice between continued Arab hostility and the gains he expects to make from peace with Israel. (OFNS)

## French nuclear drive

By Paul Webster

PARIS —

France's gamble on becoming the world's leading exporter of nuclear power equipment is collapsing after a series of blows caused by unforeseeable international reaction.

The destruction of two reactors destined for Iraq in an attack suspected to be the work of Israeli secret agents has been followed by the cancellation of an order worth more than \$3 billion by Iran. There has also been new American pressure over an attempt to fulfil a contract with Pakistan for a nuclear fuel recycling plant.

France launched a massive export drive five years ago after the oil embargo, expecting to cash in on a clear technical lead. But other countries that are interested in French equipment are now rethinking their plans as France is selling reactors built under U.S. licence based on the accident-hit plant at Three Mile Island.

The attack by suspected Israeli agents in the south of France three weeks ago has only underlined the immense difficulties involved in the export gamble with sellers and potential buyers fighting an increasingly bitter battle. It shows that the security problems are not confined to technical accidents or the possible abuse of nuclear fuel to make atomic bombs.

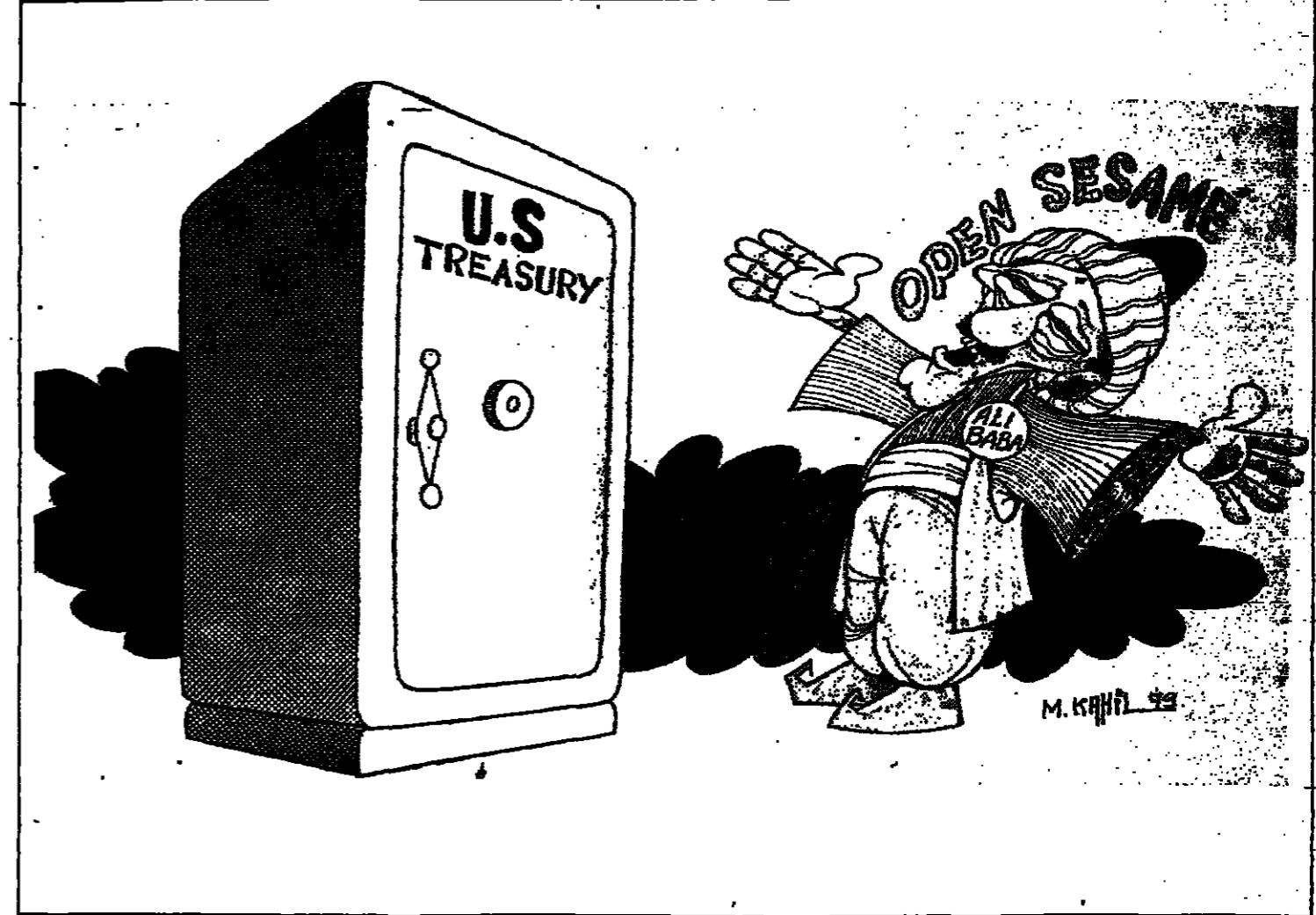
Although no official accusation has been made against Israel, French officials say that professional saboteurs were involved. Comparison is made between this raid and the Israeli navy's successful bid to sail motor torpedo boats out of Cherbourg to beat an export embargo 10 years ago. In both cases there was alleged cooperation with French secret services who are openly anti-Arab.

The Israelis would have had the most interest in stopping Iraq becoming a nuclear power and using the enriched uranium for military reasons. But plans to tighten security around French factories building nuclear equipment will be only a minor factor in the export battle. The real obstacle is political both at home and abroad.

France hoped to finance its own nuclear power program by exports, equipping the country with enough generating stations to provide 90 per cent of its electricity by the end of the century. Already President Giscard has had to slow this program because of domestic opposition while finding himself increasingly hemmed in abroad.

The first blow came when the United States vetoed a South Korean plant and then opposed the Pakistan deal. President Giscard reluctantly accepted American control on exports, believing that there would be an eventual market share out between the three biggest manufacturers, the U.S., France, and West Germany.

The collapse of American influence in Iraq shows how thin this hope was. Even though French technicians have been building two Iranian plants for the past two years they have been dropped unilaterally without compensation. This is despite the fact that Ayatollah Khomeini was given refuge in France. (G)



## The future of democracy in India

By Inder Malhotra

NEW DELHI —

Even in its heyday during the Nehru era, when democracy in India flourished as nowhere else in the Third World, there used to be deep forebodings about its future because of the absence of a viable two-party system which could offer the people a genuine democratic choice. The dominance of the Congress Party, under Nehru's towering leadership, was complete at both the federal center at New Delhi and in almost all states.

Though highly vocal, opposition used to be heavily outnumbered and hopelessly splintered. Frustrations of opposition groups drove them to politics of violence. Serious students of the scene dubbed it as a "one-party plus system."

Twenty years after independence and three years after Nehru's death, the one-party plus-system looked like coming unstuck. In India's fourth general election in 1967, the Congress Party, by now led by Mrs. Gandhi, retained a small majority in the national parliament but lost control of all northern and two southern states. What took its place in most states, however, was not a viable alternative party or coalition but an all-inclusive combination of wholly disparate factions and groups joined together only by their passion to break the Congress monopoly of power.

To nobody's surprise the cacophony bundles of contradictions often called united fronts, collapsed soon enough, fouling the atmosphere by both violence and gross political opportunism.

It was partly as a reaction to this dismal state of affairs and partly because of Mrs. Gandhi's charisma and radical appeal that the country rallied round her four years later and re-established one-party dominance and supremacy of one leader. But alas Mrs. Gandhi lacked her father's scrupulous regard for democratic institutions and norms. Consequently, India first became a sort of "one-woman democracy" and then, during the emergency, a mother-and-son rule.

Mrs. Gandhi's crushing defeat in the elections of March 1977 aroused high hopes that with the instant birth of the Janata Party and crushing defeat of Mrs. Gandhi's Congress the long-awaited two-party system might become a reality at last. But this hope has been belied.

Far from being able to consolidate the incipient two-party system, India is drifting towards a no-party system. The dangers of fragmentation of Indian politics which proved shortlived 12 years ago are now beginning to look very real.

Of course, the Janata Party is in no immediate danger of disintegration, especially in view of the recent rapprochement between Morarji Desai and his number two, Charan Singh.

But even if Janata could be a vigorous and united party it would not have an all-India character. This is because it is confined to Hindi-speaking areas of north India and, despite desperate efforts, has failed to strike any roots south of the Vindhya mountains which separate the Hindi heartland from coastal states speaking other languages.

Normally this would have meant that Mrs. Gandhi would stage a comeback in a big way, reuniting the divided Congress behind her and sweeping away all opposition to her. But the process of her resurgence has not only come to a halt but suffered a definite setback. After some initial victories, she has lost a series of prestigious by-elections in Janata strongholds. The outcry against her expulsion from parliament and brief imprisonment has died down even though personally she remains a formidable political figure.

Talks to bring about unification of the two Congress parties have broken down, largely because of the feeling that Mrs. Gandhi's son Sanjay — already convicted of felony and sentenced to two years imprisonment against which he has appealed — has re-emerged as a

key adviser to her.

Above all discipline within the Indira Congress, which she once ruled with an iron hand, has broken down as ignominiously as in the Janata Party. If Janata chief ministers of states like Orissa are defying the directive of the top leadership to seek votes of confidence, chief ministers belonging to Mrs. Gandhi's party are treating her with equally scant respect. In Maharashtra, one of her lieutenants has said that "Indira jatao" (remove Indira), once the battle cry of her foes, had become the slogan of some of her so-called friends.

The ideological dispute within the Janata Party revolves round the RSS, a cadre-based highly disciplined organization which provides the muscle to the Jana Sangh, one of the Janata constituents. Claiming to be a cultural rather than a political entity, the RSS has refused to merge itself into Janata even technically while it has vastly increased its strength thanks to the official patronage it now enjoys.

There was a time when Mrs. Gandhi was the most relentless enemy of the RSS. During the emergency she indeed banned it. Today she has suddenly muted her denunciation of this organization while the leadership of the anti-RSS crusade has passed to, of all people, Raj Narain, the former health minister who had defeated her at the polls. Indeed by leading anti-RSS forces, Raj Narain has suddenly changed his image from that of a political buffoon to a politician of substance. But neither he nor his mentor, Charan Singh, is in a position to isolate the RSS-Jana Sangh elements in the ruling Janata Party. The marriage of convenience among the warring factions will stop short of divorce.

Behind the quandary in which both Janata and Mrs. Gandhi's party find themselves lies a stark reality of which Indians are becoming painfully aware. Social reality of this essentially backward land has overtaken the relatively modern policy Nehru had tried to develop.

An all-India system be and, up to a point, his daughter ran was based on the wide support of English-speaking intelligentsia and a broad following among both rich farmers and landless laborers. Caste forces were kept in check by winning over completely the Muslims, Untouchables and tribals.

Mrs. Gandhi has forfeited the sympathy of the intelligentsia while Janata, because of its obscurantism over such issues as language, prohibition and the like, has failed to gain it. Unlike in the past when they voted en bloc, the Muslims and the Untouchables are divided. And against the previously dominant high-caste rich farmers, especially in north India, Charan Singh has mobilized intermediate castes like the Jats who may be less prosperous than others but are far more aggressive. The ploy of reservation of jobs, hitherto the exclusive privilege of the Untouchables and the tribals for the so-called backward castes has also unleashed uncontrollable forces in the countryside.

Meanwhile some regional parties have become firmly entrenched in some important states which are unlikely to be dislodged easily. These include Anna Dotti in Tamil Nadu, the Akali Party in Punjab and Communist Party (Marxist) in West Bengal and Tripura. Sheikh Abdullah's hold on the sensitive state of Jammu and Kashmir is complete.

It would be futile to pretend that all this does not contain seeds of separatism or weakening of central authority, especially because Janata leaders from the Hindi-belt have unleashed grim fears over issues like language, cow slaughter or conversion of Hindus to Christianity. But it would be absurd to jump to the conclusion that the Indian political system is falling apart.

What is likely to happen, however, is that no political party will have an all-India sway for at least a decade to come. Governments in New Delhi will have to be coalition of regional, sectional, and class interests bearing diverse, if also diverting, labels. — (G)

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while receiving his wages from Beirut? Or how can one explain his late expulsion from the army, after a year of dallying openly and unabashedly with the Israelis.

Those who have traded with Lebanon's sovereignty and dignity can now see the results of their policy in this secessionist movement by one of the country's top traitors. At the same time, we note there has been little condemnation of his act of treason by those who consider themselves very concerned with the integrity of their country.

Former president and rightist leader Camille Chamoun upheld Haddad's move and blessed it because he and others are also planning to partition Lebanon in the same way," the paper said.

"This would be the signal for the creation of Lebanese statelets in various parts of the country."



"The government of Saudi Arabia severed diplomatic relations with Egypt after all attempts to stop President Sadat from pluming head-on into the so-called peace treaty with Israel," according to "Al-Riyad".

"The decision was also taken in deference to the Arab summit resolutions taken in Baghdad against Sadat's enormous concessions to the enemy and his support of its expansionist plans and desecration of the Muslim holy places.

"The Kingdom's step will be followed by others, to cut off diplomatic relations with Egypt. But this should not mean that we are also cutting off the great Egyptian people who have given so much and sacrificed so much for the Arab cause. The decisions will not affect the people nor will they affect companies or institutions which do not deal with the enemy.

"We should like to stress to our Egyptian brothers that we have

nothing against them," the paper said. "No harm will be done to those living in the Arab countries. They will be treated with respect and affection."

"The Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty has turned the region from a state of no-war-no-peace to a state of war," according to "Al-Jazirah".

"Fortunately, Arab unity in the face of the treaty has dispensed the calculations of the treaty engineers, and Saudi Arabia was in the forefront of those who saw the treaty as a mere surrender document. The Kingdom strove to maintain Arab solidarity and came out with positive practical steps to handle a momentous crisis. Today it severs diplomatic relations with Egypt but does not terminate the bonds with the Egyptian people for whom it reserves affection and admiration.

We do hope that the leaders of Egypt will wake up and throw away the illusions that have misguided them so far and realize the

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By Shirley Chase

JEDDAH—Hot weather gardening is best accomplished very early in the morning or late afternoon, just before the sun goes down.

Portulaca loves sun and drought, so Saudi Arabia is the perfect place for it to flourish. It's nickname is primrose, as it's deep red color and shape make it look like a miniature rose. The plant has a slight odor. Very hardy, it requires a minimum of care, little water, and grows in any soil. The perfect ground cover, available here in all the nurseries, is inexpensive to buy.

Primrose is in full bloom in the sunshine, and in late afternoon the flower closes up to reappear the next morning. The beauty of the plant is that you don't need a root. All you need to do is snip off the stem, and put the two pieces in soil, the top and the bottom. Purchasing one plant and snipping off it's more economical. Choose a full plant that will give you all the more to divide. It takes about a week before the slip really takes hold. Keep on breaking pieces off as it grows, replant and your garden will be full of deep red blooms. Be sure the earth is firmly pressed around the slip, and plant it around five centimeters deep.

Portulaca is good for flower boxes, or just in a clay pot around some cacti. It gives a lovely overhang. Don't overwater, and place it in the sunshine. It is strictly an outdoor plant that can stand plenty of wind (it hugs the ground while the wind passes over it).

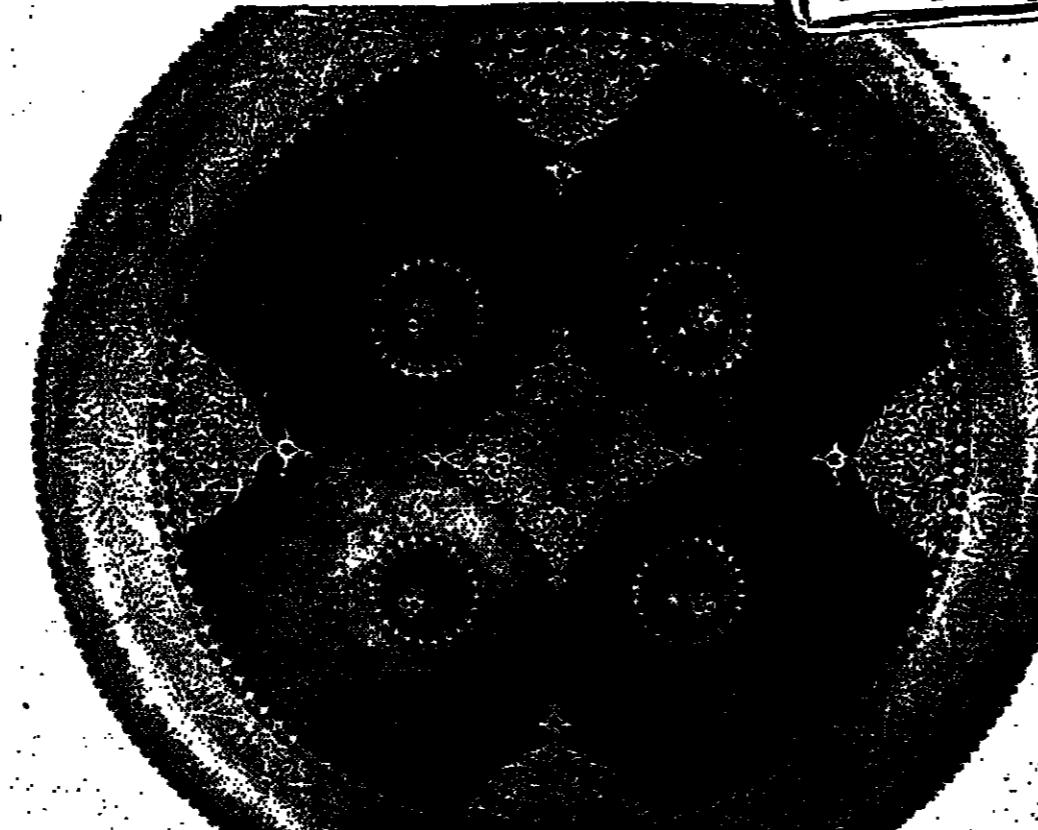
Another good all-around plant that blooms from early April to November is gaillardia. Easily cultured, it is a reddish-looking daisy with a brown center. It likes full sun and takes 20 days for the seeds to germinate. The plant grows six inches tall and spreads readily.

Periwinkle and zinnias can be planted from March to December. Both are excellent hot weather flowers.

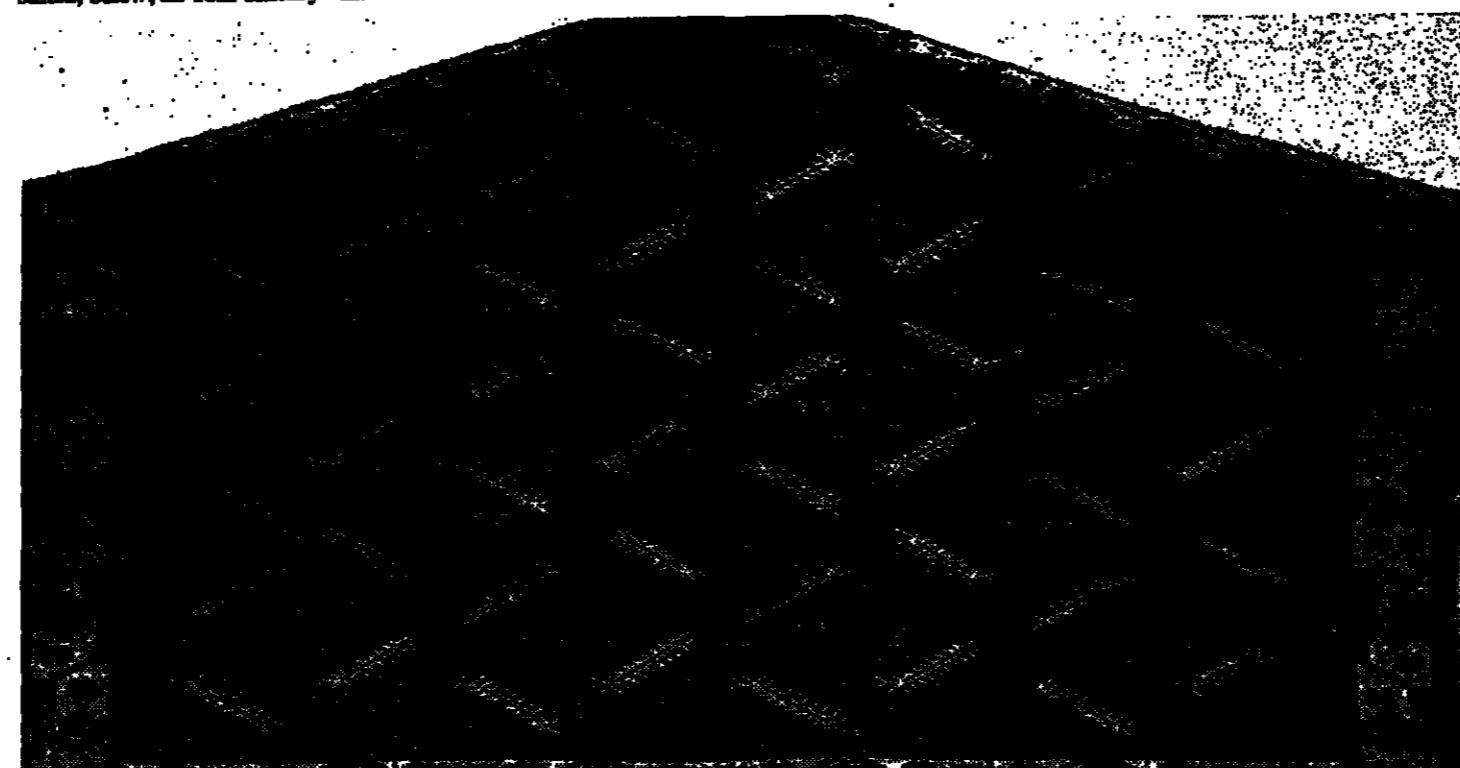
Watering should be done systematically, giving a good soaking that gets deep down in the roots of plants. Place your hose on a flat rock and let the water run from the hose very slowly, flooding the area well. It takes patience, waiting a few minutes, and then moving the hose from area to area. Flood the plants with two or three inches of water. Be careful of overwatering cacti and other succulents. (A succulent is a plant to store water in its leaves or stems.)

Mother-in-Law's Tongue is a succulent that grows well in the heat. It grows inside as well as outside, and should be allowed to dry out between waterings. It grows better in a shaded area outside, inside a sunny position or a lightly shaded position. It is a tough plant which will thrive in almost any light condition.

Seedlings, such as periwinkle, can be transplanted in the late afternoon. A shelter from the sun can be installed from flattening out a cardboard carton. Make a lean-to with the carton by propping it up with two sticks. It may be necessary to water the seedlings twice a day. Give them support if plants are sagging. Remove the shelter gradually, depending on the sturdiness of the plant.



Sotheby Park-Bernet & Co. is holding another in its series of Islamic arts auctions this week in London. Pictured above is an ornate Persian shield; below, an 18th century animal and tree azulej. The auction ends today, April 25.



## A Malay dessert

By Chu Liew

JEDDAH—Slowly but surely, the cool days in Jeddah are slipping into the past. In the same manner, the body, in adapting to the natural environment, prefers consumption of light, and hopefully delicious, meals.

Southeast Asia has its own spells of Sultry weather to blend into a chef's repertoire, and one of the better outcomes is a dessert called "bubor cha-cha." The main ingredients—yam and sweet potatoes—are readily available in Saudi Arabia's urban vegetable souks.

Bubor means broth or gruel in the Malay and Indonesian language. Literally translated, this dessert should be known as cha-cha broth, but it is generally referred to as yam treat countries like Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, Thailand and the Philippines.

The Malaysian yam is called ubi. This yam is a large tuberous root like the potato and grows in tropical countries. At a distance, it looks like a red beet root in size and color. Looked at more carefully, however, ubi varies in color from earth brown, purple, pink and even white. When the skin is removed, however, there can be no doubt about its uniqueness. Inside the ubi is firm with a greyish-white color dotted with shades of purple and pink.

Bubor cha-cha

300 grams sweet potatoes  
300 grams yam  
135 grams sugar  
900 grams white, scrapped coconut or dry grated coconut  
750 ml water, previously boiled  
220 ml hot boiling water  
300 grams sago flour and a pinch of borax  
A pinch of salt and a few drops of food coloring

To give this dessert its typically Malaysian flavor, some fresh screw pine leaves are required. Screw pine leaves essence may be substituted. However, one should not despair if "daun Pandan," as screw pine leaves are known to South East Asians, are not available locally.

Seven hundred and fifty ml of cooled water should be added—slowly to the 900 grams of white grated coconut to extract milk. For those who have never extracted coconut milk and who do not possess any gadgets, an ordinary sieve or muslin will do very well.

Before removing the dark outer skin from the yam, make sure that it is thoroughly dried. The outer skin should be generously discarded, as only the greyish-white part of the yam is good to eat. Cut the yam into little  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch cubes, making sure throughout that the yam remains dry (otherwise the cubes get sticky and unmanageable). Steam yam cubes for five minutes or so until cooked.

Peel and cut the sweet potatoes into  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch cubes. Steam for five minutes until cooked.

Add borax to sago flour. Add 220 ml of boiling water to the sago flour and borax. Use a wooden spoon to stir the mixture. Form a dough by kneading the mixture until it is smooth. Decide the colors you would like to have in your yam desserts. Add the assorted food coloring to the dough and knead well. Leave part of original dough in its natural state uncolored. Roll the colored dough into thin long strips. Cut out squares, triangles or circles from each strip.

Cook the pieces of sago flour in boiling water. Use a wooden spoon to stir all the time, preventing the pieces from sticking together. Soak the cooked pieces in cold water. Drain and add three tablespoons of sugar.

Add 130 grams of coarse sugar to the boiling water and heat for ten minutes. Remove screw pine leaves from syrup. Add coconut milk, stirring all the time over a low flame. Cook for just a moment, then add a pinch of salt. Add the prepared yam and sweet potatoes together with the sago flour pieces to the syrup-coconut milk. Keep stirring to prevent curdling. This dessert can be eaten immediately, or it can be served cold.

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## Cologne must bypass Forest to make European cup final

LONDON, April 24 (R)—West Germany's Cologne, despite crashing to a 5-1 league defeat against Bayern Munich last week, are still confident of reaching the European Cup final by beating English soccer champions Nottingham Forest on Wednesday night.

Cologne's form in the Bundesliga has been erratic all season, but their displays in Europe's leading club cup competition have been impressive.

Forest trailed 2-0 after 20 minutes in the semifinal, first leg in Nottingham, but fought back bravely to snatch a 3-3 draw.

Belgian international Roger van Gool was Cologne's inspiration, scoring the opening goal and creating the other two for Dieter Muller and Japan's Yasuhiko Okudera.

Peter Shilton, rated by many critics the top goalkeeper in England, had a couple of rare lapses

which did not help Forest's cause. Shilton will be eager to make amends in Cologne.

Malmö is poised to become the first Swedish club to reach the European Cup final, after holding Austria Wien to a goalless draw in Vienna two weeks ago.

The Swedish club was without key striker Anders Ljungberg in the first leg, but will welcome him back on Wednesday. Ljungberg was Malmö's hero in the quarter-finals, blasting home three goals to sink Poland's Wisla Krakow.

Austrian international Herbert Prohaska has the midfield skill and flair to swing the clash Wien's way but Malmö, coached by Englishman Bob Houghton, seems unlikely to loosen their grip.

Tiny Belgian Club Bevhen, overshadowing its illustrious neighbors Anderlecht and Bruges, to meet again Tuesday,

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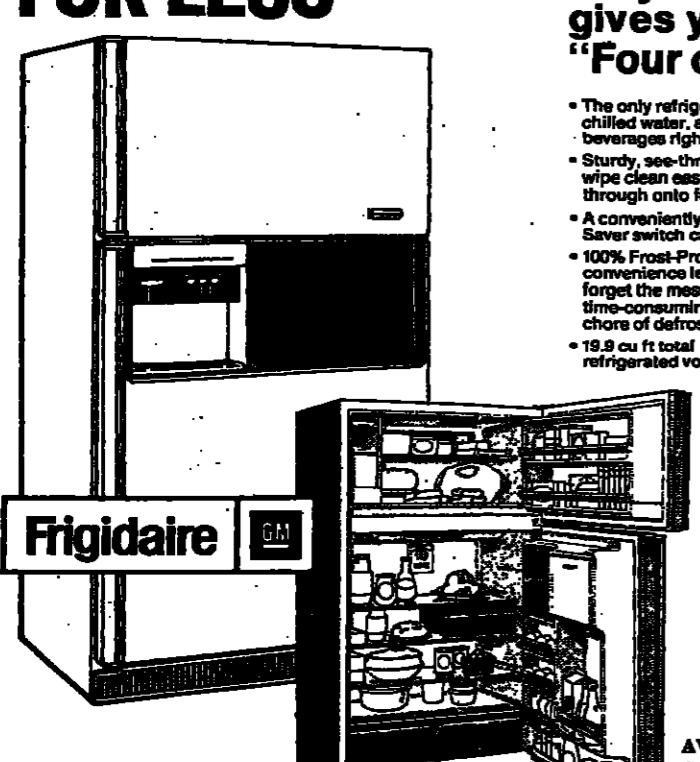
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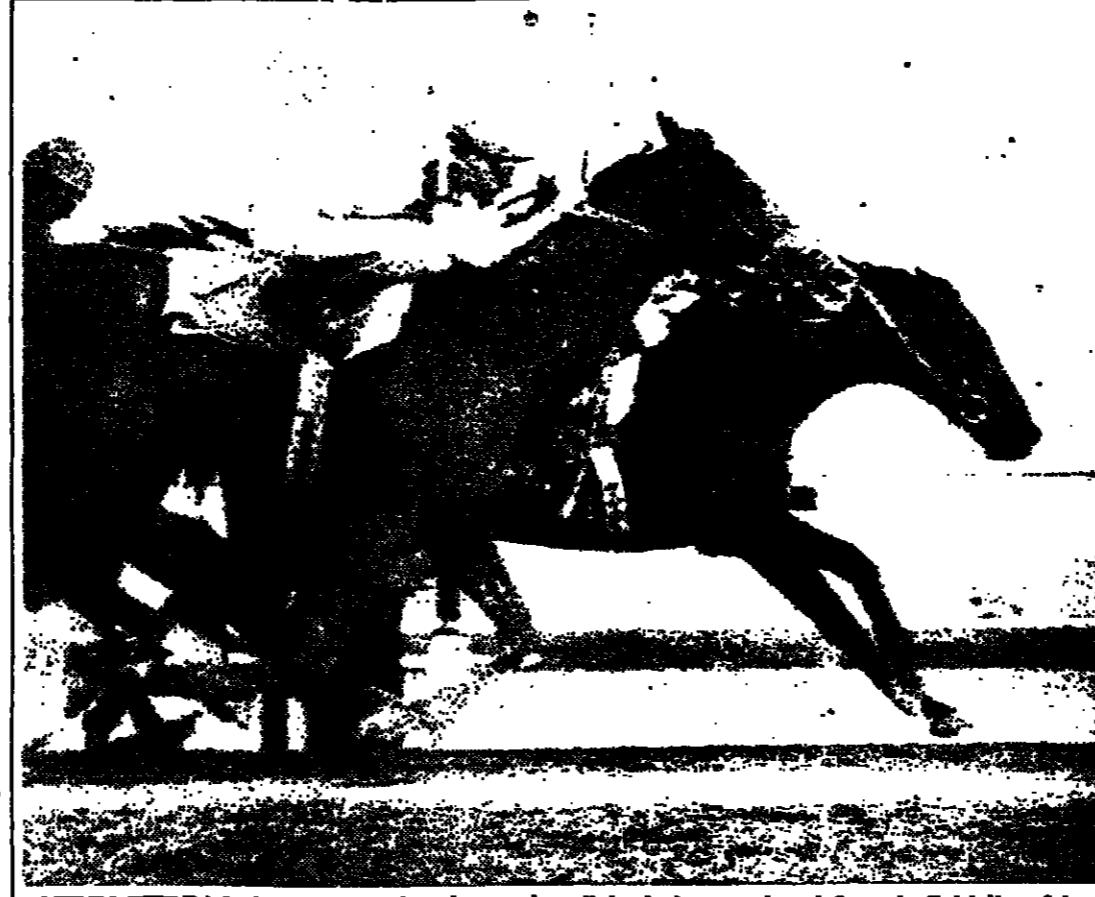
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OFF TO THE RACES: Instrument Landing, on the rail, leads the way a length from the finish line of the Wood Memorial at Aqueduct Saturday. Angel Cordero rode the three-year-old to victory on the 1-1/8 mile test. Screen King, with Cash Assussen up, finished second and Czaravich third. (AP photo)

### With Australia's narrow win

## India slips from hockey meet

PERTH, April 24 (AP) — Australia narrowly defeated France 3-2 Tuesday to qualify for the semifinals of the world field hockey championships.

Australia's third consecutive victory in Group A dashed India's hopes of entering the semifinals after its losses to Australia and the Netherlands.

The French team shot into the lead in the 17th minute when center half Bruno Delavenne scored off a short corner.

Australia's Ian Cook equalized five minutes later before a goal took Australia to a 2-1.

France drew level in the 54th minute through Christian Barriere who connected the cross from the right.

Australia then launched an all out effort to find the winning goal which finally came in from short corner specialist Ian Cook.

Australia forced seven short corners in the second half but

some superb goal keeping by France's Olivier Cinques deprived the team of a bigger win.

Australia and the Netherlands, both of which have three wins and no losses in Group A, will meet on Thursday in a match that will decide which team tops the group.

Both teams have qualified for the semifinals and, assuming Pakistan plays on form and defeats New Zealand on Thursday, the runner-up in Group A will meet Pakistan to decide one finalist.

Neither the Netherlands nor Australia wants to be in a position of having to play Pakistan in the semifinal and both will be seeking a victory Thursday.

New Zealand trounced Kenya 8-2 Tuesday still holding onto faint hopes of making the semifinals.

Full back Ramesh Patel scored

New Zealand's first goal in the 12th minute from a penalty stroke, and the lead was stretched

five minutes later when Captain Tony Ineson converted a long corner.

Patel scored again in the 32nd minute after running through the Kenyan defense and hitting a powerful angler past goalkeeper George Moses.

A penalty stroke to Harvinder Singh in the 33rd minute saw Kenya finish the half time trailing 3-1.

New Zealand, obviously out to boost its goal tally and its chances of entering the semifinals in the event of a tie, scored again in the first minute of the second half.

This was followed in quick succession with goals from Peter Misikunin, Ineson and John Christensen.

Miskunin rounded off New Zealand's scoring in the 67th minute, and Kenya's final goal was shot moments later by Kujit Singh.

## Sanctions issue Olympics committee stalled by apartheid

BRUSSELS, April 24 (AP) — The tripartite commission of the International Olympic Committee has failed to approve the draft convention of the United Nations Commission on Apartheid after two days of talks here.

Discussion of the proposal will reconvene when the commission next meets in New York, but no date was given.

The convention would bar any athlete from competing with another from a country that practices racial segregation as an official policy. If adopted the convention would obligate governments of U.N. member countries to impose sanctions on athletes who compete with nationals of such countries.

The tripartite commission, comprising the International Olympic Committee, National Olympic committees and international sports Federations, and met under chairmanship of IOC President Lord Killanin, said Monday the enforcement of the proposed convention would be difficult since national Olympic committees were totally independent from governments which would need their approval to ratify the document.

Like Placid

As the 1980 Olympics approaches, construction at the winter games site of lake Placid continues apace.

The new, \$16 million Olympic fieldhouse for example may be safe from collapse but is plagued by "shoddy work," according to a federal engineer.

"It's like paying for a Cadillac and getting a Ford," the Economic Development Administration's Ralph Kessler is quoted as saying in the current issue of a trade magazine published here.

The fieldhouse, one of the buildings erected at the EDA's expense, is under review by a private engineering firm after allegations of serious structural flaws.

The allegations, compiled by a government investigator, center on three alleged deficiencies: a sag of up to 15 centimeters in the building's roof, trusses, faulty welding and weak concrete.

"The 'Engineering News-

Record' said that Kessler agreed with the firm's preliminary report minimizing the structural dangers but that he maintained that a further review would reveal poor workmanship.

Kessler could not be reached for comment at his Washington office and EDA spokesman Herb Gerard said, the agency rejected his comment.

The EDA, a branch of the Commerce Department, has already spent about \$57 million on construction for the February games and is expected to spend up to \$11 million more.

## S. African upsets Ashe in Nevada

LAS VEGAS, April 24 (AP) — Johan Kriek of South Africa upset seventh-seeded Arthur Ashe 6-1, 6-3 Monday as the \$250,000 Alan King Tennis Classic began at Caesars Palace.

The 21-year-old Kriek dominated throughout the 58-minute match as Ashe, 35, had problems with his service. Winds gusts up to 40 kilometers per hour during Monday's play.

Nine other first-round matches were played Monday and the other six will be played Tuesday. Top-seeded Bjorn Borg will face Hank Pfister as first-round competition comes to an end.

In other matches Monday, second-seeded Jimmy Connors had no trouble in defeating Pat Dupre 6-4, 6-3. Defending champion Harold Solomon, seeded fifth, rallied to eliminate Tom Gullikson 3-6, 7-6, 6-1.

Sixth-seeded Roscoe Tanner whipped Bob Lutz 6-4, 6-2 and eighth-seeded Wojtek Fibak of Poland topped Eliot Teltscher 7-6, 6-2.

Corrado Barazzutti of Italy beat Sandy Mayer 6-4, 6-1. Raúl Ramírez of Mexico topped Brian Teacher 6-3, 2-6, 6-4. Adriano Panatta of Italy eliminated Bruce Mansfield 6-4, 6-4. Tim Gullikson downed Butch Walsh 6-4, 7-6, and Stan Smith whipped Balazs Taroczy of Hungary 7-6, 6-2.



TUMBLE: German goalie Sigmund Suttner hangs onto his goal which was thrown off position by the American Joe Mullen's attack. The Germans won Friday 6-3. (AP photo)



CZECHS BURIED: Soviet forward Alexander Skorovcov speeds toward the Czech goal Saturday but misses the puck which is already past him. The Russians won 11-1. (AP photo)

### After smothering by Soviets

## Stastny brothers ignite blazing Czech ice hockey

MOSCOW, April 24 (AP) —

Marian, Peter and Anton Stastny, the only brother line in big-time hockey, came alive again Monday with three goals as Czechoslovakia topped Canada 10-6 (4-3, 3-1, 3-2) in the world hockey championships.

In a wide open contest, a combination of defense errors by the Canadians and excellent attack by the Czech players sparked Czechoslovakia's comeback after

Packer granted TV rights to

Aussie cricket

SYDNEY, April 24 (AP) — Kerry Packer, the Australian television tycoon who disrupted established cricket with his world series cricket, has won the right to televise test cricket in Australia.

The Australian Cricket Board decided on Tuesday to agree in principle to an offer from Packer's Channel Nine network for exclusive rights for three years. The government network has hitherto had exclusive broadcasting rights.

Details of the agreement will be completed by a five-man cricket board committee, which will include board Chairman Bob Parish and Sir Donald Bradman, and contracts are expected to be signed "within three weeks."

taking a crushing 11-1 defeat by the Soviets two days earlier.

The Canadian National Hockey League Leftovers' fourth straight defeat left them little hope of avoiding last place in the tournament's championship round.

The Czechs, who beat Canada 4-1 in preliminary round action,

quickly regained their confidence after the humiliation by the Soviets. They outskated and outpassed the Canadians in winning the highest scoring game in the tournament so far.

Bohuslav Ebermann, one of the world's fastest skaters, netted four times for the Czechs and set up another goal. It was the top scoring effort in the championships after two earlier hat tricks by

Canada's Wilf Paiement and the Soviets' Sergei Makarov.

Ebermann's teammate Jirí Pavlásek added a fifth Czech goal at 4:59 in the second stanza before Garry Unger fired in a rebound for Canada eleven seconds later.

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*Opponents still strong*

## Leaders in Congress back Carter's oil tax proposal



President Carter

WASHINGTON, April 24 (AP) — The Democratic and Republican leaders of the U.S. Senate said Monday they expect Congress to enact a tax on the additional revenue oil companies receive as a result of lifting federal price controls.

Senate Minority Leader Howard Baker Jr., Tenn., said President Jimmy Carter "can have the windfall profits tax for the asking.... I'm hard-pressed to find anyone who's opposed to it."

Majority leader Robert Byrd, D-W. Va., said he thought there would be strong public support for such a tax.

The president needs no congressional action to go ahead with his plan to phase out price controls of U.S.-produced crude oil by mid-1981. However, a windfall profits tax requires congressional approval.

Carter wants a 50 per cent tax levied on the revenues generated by phasing out oil price controls. The tax money collected would be used to provide energy cost rebates for the elderly, for mass transit and for research into alternative energy forms.

But others' assessments have been less optimistic.

Rep. Al Ullman, D-Ore., and chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee which would have initial jurisdiction over the

tax proposal, has predicted it will pass. However, if it clears the House, the tax would face a major obstacle in the Senate in the person of Sen. Russell Long, D-La.

Any tax bill passed by the house would be referred to the Senate Finance Committee, which Long heads. Long has said he believes action on a windfall profits tax should be taken only if the oil companies fail to invest profits in exploration for new oil and gas reserves.

Meanwhile Carter Monday accused the oil industry and its supporters in Congress of trying to hoodwink the American people.

In a speech to the National

Academy of Sciences, the president strongly defended his own proposed taxes on windfall profits and criticized an alternative plan favored by some members of Congress.

"Their new strategy," he declared, "seems to be to try to hoodwink the American people by passing a windfall profits tax that is in fact a charade."

He said it would be "a tax designed primarily to provide loopholes so the oil companies will get another four or five billion dollars to unearned profits on top of what they would get under decontrol (of domestic oil prices)."

Carter did not name any members of Congress in his speech, made at a luncheon commemorating the 100th anniversary of Albert Einstein's birth.

In referring to plans to approve a tax other than his, Carter said, "They will try to pass this charade off on the American people as a plough-back provision."

"It is a plough-under and a kickback. And what is being ploughed under is the energy security fund with its aid to research and to the poor, and what is going to be kicked back to the oil companies is the money that would be used to finance those necessary programs," he said.

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Opening Tuesday	SAMA rate	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.38	3.39	3.38
Pound Sterling	6.99	7.05	7.04
Deutsche Mark (100)	178.00	178.60	178.50
Swiss F (100)	197.00	198.00	197.00
French F (100)	78.00	78.00	77.70
Italian Lira (1000)	4.00	4.05	4.03
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	106.50	106.25
Syrian Lira (100)	—	77.50	87.25
Egyptian Pound	—	—	4.56
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.20	12.18
Jordanian Dinar	—	11.15	11.15
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	88.25	88.25
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	88.25	88.25
Bahraini Dinar	—	8.82	8.82
Iranian Riyal (100)	—	40.00	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	74.25	74.40
Yemeni Riyal (100)	—	77.50	87.75
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	—	41.00
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	34.40
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	—
Gold kg	26,400	—	—
10 Tolas bar	—	3,080	—
Silver kg bar	—	—	—
Japanese yen (100)	1.55	—	—
Canadian dollar	2.96	—	—
Belgian franc (10)	1.12	—	—
Dutch guilder	1.65	—	—

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NOT GOLF: What look like golf tees at first glance are actually pop-up temperature gauges undergoing quality control inspection at the SM Co. factory in Fresno, Calif. The gauges are used to tell when chicken and turkey reach their proper cooking temperature. (AP photo)

Dow up 3.12

### Market gains in last minutes

NEW YORK, April 24 — After drifting sideways all day Monday, the market began to rally in the last hour of the session to close on the positive side. The Dow Jones Industrial Average gained 3.12, transports added .10 and utilities lost .41. Volume of trading for the day was 25.7 million shares, as gainers outnumbered losers by a slight margin. The American Stock Exchange added .06 to close at 188.00.

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### European countries warned of impending shortage of crude oil

WEST BERLIN, April 24 (Agencies) — European Common Market Energy Commissioner Guido Brunner said Monday the world's energy situation is worse now than it was during the oil crisis of 1973-74.

The problem then, he said at a press conference here, was the price of oil. The problem now is the price combined with a shortage.

As if to add weight to his warning, Yugoslavia Monday asked for travel curbs and conservation measures to cope with oil shortages there. And a multinational oil company warned Italy it faces a serious oil crunch.

Brunner said the European Community's oil imports were down six per cent.

Brunner also warned that if Iran and other oil producers did not increase their oil production the EEC could face fuel shortages later this year.

He said that at the beginning of the year the community had oil reserves for 113 days. By March 1 this had dropped to 106 days.

In Belgrade legislators were called to act Wednesday on proposals that would make it illegal for a Yugoslav to drive more than 120 miles from home, require Yugoslavs to park their cars one weekend a month and one workday a week. Distance limits were also asked for truck traffic and buses that pick up factory workers.

There was no sign of improvement in the shortage, which was blamed on a lack of ingredients for high-octane gasoline. Officials in the state-owned industry said

efforts to ease the shortage have been hurt by a refinery breakdown, inadequate shipments from other refineries and troubles with imports.

And in Rome, an oil company official said, "There are real risks of a shortage of petrol this summer and of heating oil in the autumn and winter." Luciano Bassi, of ESSO Italiana, said because of a world oil shortage, the company will see its crude oil supplies from its U.S. parent company Exxon cut by 10 per cent from next month.

### UAE can't fulfill India crude request

NEW DELHI, April 24 (R) — The United Arab Emirates (U.A.E.) is unable to meet a request from India for more crude oil because of previous commitments, a U.A.E. embassy official said Monday.

The request was made by Indian Petroleum Minister H.N. Bahuguna, talks with visiting U.A.E. Petroleum Minister Mana Said Oteiba told the Indian minister the request would be given due consideration if there was a change in circumstances, the official added.

India plans to import 16.5 million tons of crude oil in 1979 of which the U.A.E. has already agreed to supply 1.5 million tons.

But the disruption of Iranian oil exports has left a gap of several million tons which India is trying to fill.

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**JAL hit by 24-hour strike**

TOKYO, April 24 (AP) — Japan Air Lines' 680 stewardesses and assistant purser for international flights went on a 24-hour strike Tuesday, demanding a wage hike. An official of the Japanese flag carrier, however, said only two of the 30 scheduled international flights, those to and from Hong Kong, will be canceled by the 2,750-member cabin crew union's walkout. About 138 passengers bound for Hong Kong from the new Tokyo International Airport at Narita, northeast of Tokyo, will fly from Osaka, western Japan, the official said, and non-union male staffers will take duties in place of stewardesses aboard other 29 flights. No domestic flights were affected by the strike Tuesday.

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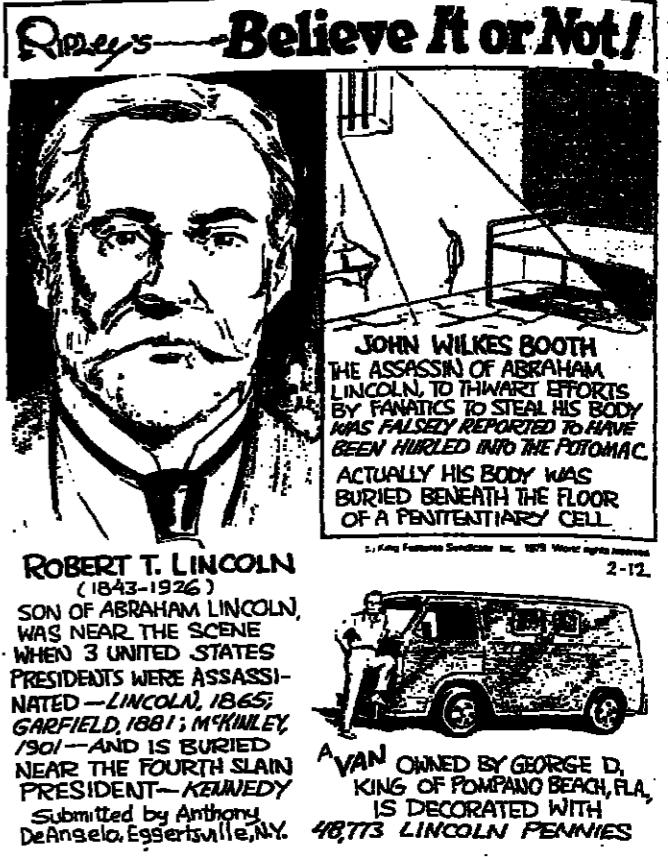
**Newsprint threat worries U.S.**

NEW YORK, April 24 (AP) — U.S. newspaper owners, facing a newsprint shortage that already has forced some to cut back circulation, are nervously waiting to see whether Canadian paper workers will go on strike. Many papers now are printing fewer stories. Some have cut advertising space. And nearly all newspapers surveyed by the Associated Press report they don't have as much newsprint on hand as they would like. "If there's a strike in British Columbia, papers in California and Arizona are going to be in extremely serious shape," said Dick Wallace, general manager of the "Santa Ana (California) Register." "we're hanging on by fingernails and if there's a strike, somebody's going to be stepping on them."

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## ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

## PRAYER TIMES

Wednesday Fajr	Ishraq	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghreb	Isha
Mecca 4:39	6:00	12:25	3:49	6:46	8:16
Medina 4:34	5:49	12:27	3:55	6:50	8:20
Nejd 4:06	5:30	11:58	3:24	6:20	7:50

## DHARAHAN TV

4:30 Children's Show  
6:30 George Kirby Show  
6:54 Welcome Back Kotter  
7:25 Rickford Files  
8:13 NFL Football

Sesame Street: No. 1082  
Nancy Wilson  
Kotter For Vice Principal  
Rattler's Class Of 63  
Highlights: No. 12.  
Minn. Vs. L.A.

## WEATHER

Forecast for the next 24 hours:  
Moderate weather over the northwestern and western regions, where northwesterly winds of moderate intensity will be predominant. The weather will tend to be hot over the southern, northeastern and northern regions, where southerly winds are likely to blow at moderate speed raising dust and sand occasionally.

Sea conditions are calm to moderate in the territorial waters.

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Tuesday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca	36	25	Tabuk	26	15
Jeddah	34	24	Al-Jauf	28	16
Riyadh	39	21	Turaif	25	11
Dhahran	37	22	Rafha	29	18
Medina	37	26	Yabu	32	20
Taif	34	19	Abha	30	10

## SAUDI RADIO

Afternoon Transmission  
2:00 Opening  
2:01 The Holy Quran  
2:05 Gems of Guidance  
2:10 S.A.—Historical Notes  
2:20 On Islam  
2:30 Hits in Germany  
3:00 NEWS  
3:10 Press Review  
3:15 Music  
3:20 Islamic Activities  
3:30 Leaps and Bounds  
3:40 Music  
3:50 close Down  
Evening Transmission  
10:00 Opening

P.M.  
8:00 News Roundup:  
Reports: Actualities:  
Opinion: Analyses  
8:30 Dateline  
News Summary  
9:00 Special English:  
News; Feature: The  
Making of a Nation  
News Summary  
9:30 Music USA:  
(Standards)  
0:00 News Roundup:  
Reports: Actualities

10:05 Opinion: Analyses  
News Summary  
10:30 VOA Magazine:  
America; Science;  
Cultural; Letter  
11:00 Special English: News  
11:30 Music USA: (Jazz)

VOA WORLD REPORT  
Midnight  
12:00 News newsmakers'  
voices correspondents  
reports background  
features media comment:  
news analyses.

## VOA

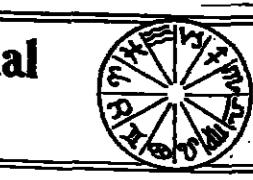
## BBC

Morning Transmission  
8:00 World News  
8:09 \*Twenty-Four Hours  
News Summary  
8:30 \*Sarah Ward  
8:45 World Today  
9:00 Newsdesk  
9:30 \*Opera Star  
10:00 World News  
10:09 Twenty-Four Hours  
News Summary  
10:30 \*Sarah Ward  
10:45 \*Something to Show  
You  
11:00 World News  
11:09 Reflections  
11:15 Piano Style  
11:30 Brain of Britain 1978  
12:00 World News  
12:05 British Press Review  
12:15 World Today  
12:30 Financial News  
12:40 Look Ahead  
12:45 The Tony Myatt  
Request Show  
Evening Transmission  
1:15 Ulster in Focus  
1:30 Discovery  
2:00 World News  
2:09 News about Britain  
2:15 Alphabet of  
Musical Carols  
2:30 Sports International  
2:44 Radio Newsreel  
3:12 Promenade Concert  
3:45 Sports Round-up  
4:00 World News  
4:09 Twenty-Four Hours:  
News Summary

10:05 The Holy Quran  
10:10 Light Music  
10:15 NEWS  
10:25 S.A.—A Daily  
Chronicle  
10:30 Melody Makers  
11:00 Youth Welfare  
11:10 Music  
11:15 Hot Rock  
11:45 The Golden Age  
12:00 Imp. Com &  
Recollections  
12:10 Music  
12:15 Mood Music  
12:45 A Rendezvous with  
Dreams  
01:00 Close Down

4:30 The Pleasure's Yours  
5:15 Report on Religion  
6:00 Radio Newsreel  
6:15 \*Outlook  
7:00 World News  
7:09 Commentary  
7:15 \*Sherlock Holmes  
7:45 World Today  
8:00 World News  
8:09 \*Books and Writers  
8:30 \*Take One  
8:45 Sports Round-up  
9:00 World News  
9:09 News about Britain  
9:15 Radio Newsreel  
9:30 Farming World  
10:00 Outdoor News  
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12:15 Talkabout  
12:45 Nature  
Notebook  
1:00 World News  
1:09 World Today  
1:25 Financial News  
1:35 Book Choice  
1:40 Reflections  
1:45 Sports Round-up  
2:00 World News  
2:09 Commentary  
2:15 The Face of England

## Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake  
FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 1979

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Your need to get away from it all could lead to some oversights regarding the cost of the trip. Curtail extravagance and wooly thinking.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20) A romantic meeting may in some way not meet your expectations. If it behaves you to be careful in financial dealings. Be on guard.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) If you ignore the facts that are staring you in the face, you will be fooled. Keep your feet on the ground in romantic situations.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You're easily led astray now. Going along with the crowd may put a dent in your wallet. Escapist tendencies affect health adversely.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) The influence of friends could be confusing. Make sure you know what you're getting into before making any commitment.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) A career venture may not be what it appears. Be careful of procrastination and saying more than you mean. Protect health from excesses.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) You seem uncertain whether to stay at home or go

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*Four times opponents' seats*

## Zimbabwe-Rhodesia elects Abel Muzorewa

SALISBURY, April 24 (Agencies) — Bishop Abel Muzorewa was elected Zimbabwe-Rhodesia's first black prime minister when his party swept 51 of 72 black seats in the country's first universal suffrage elections.

The diminutive, 54-year-old Methodist bishop captured more than four times as many parliamentary seats as any of his black opponents. As leader of the victorious United African National Council, he will form the first black majority government in Rhodesia after nine decades of exclusive rule by the white minority.

With final results in, the UANC's 51 seats were followed by 2 seats for the Rev. Ndabaningi Sithole, who protested the election, and his Zimbabwe African National Union and nine seats for Chief Kayisa Ndiweni's United National Federal Party (UNFP) which champions the minority Ndebele tribe.

The UNFP picked up much of its support from the southern and southwestern districts of Matabeleland on the basis of its plans for a Zimbabwe federation in which the majority Shona and minority Ndebele tribes would have an

equal say.

Chief Ndiweni is an Ndebele from Matabeleland while all other black leaders — Muzorewa, Sithole and Chirau — are Shonas.

One initial surprise in the results was the strong showing of the UNFP in traditionally Shona strongholds in the north where it consistently scored ahead of Chief Jeremiah Chirau's Shona-oriented Zimbabwe United Peoples organization (ZUPO).

Bishop Chirau, partner with Prime Minister Ian Smith, Muzorewa and Sithole in the year-old transi-

tional government, failed to win a single seat.

The other 28 seats in Parliament, as well as a quarter of cabinet posts, are reserved for the white minority under a constitution that also leaves the whites in control over the police, military, judiciary and civil service for at least five years.

Under the constitutional arrangement, Muzorewa will win the prime ministry and 10 cabinet seats, Ndiweni will get one cabinet seat and Sithole two.

The new government is

expected to formally take charge in late May. Along with Smith's office, Muzorewa will inherit most of the problems that forced the whites to relinquish exclusive power.

So far, the universal suffrage elections have won no recognition from the West, and externally based guerrilla leaders Joshua Nkomo and Robert Mugabe have labeled Muzorewa a traitor and have condemned him to death.

Shrugging off the threats, Muzorewa once said, "They can say what they like, do what they

like. They have brought only suffering. I have brought black rule."

Results were calculated on a constituency level, with parties having to take 10 per cent of votes cast in each constituency to qualify for seats in the house.

One feature of the earliest results was the number of spoiled papers. Out of 845,619 valid votes cast in early returns, to the registrar general's office, 38,854 were useless — a total of 4.5 per cent.

The Patriotic Front guerrilla alliance spent weeks before polling showing blacks how to spoil their papers in protest at the Salisbury leaders' arrangements, informed sources said.

The officially reported percentage of 63.9 per cent voter turnout has been challenged by some of those who observed the election. They have questioned officially-announced polling of over 100 per cent in some areas among a total estimated, but unregistered, voting population of 6.7 million.

Voters were simply required to show evidence they were over 18 and resident in the territory for two years.

"These estimations of population within the provinces were made six months ago for the purposes of calculating the number of seats to which each province would be entitled in the House of Assembly," said a statement issued jointly by Director of Census and Statistics C.A.L. Myburgh and the Registrar-General of Elections Eric Pope-Simmonds.

### His party loses

## Sithole says elections unfair



Ndabaningi Sithole

will of two million people who went to the polls."

Later he said in an interview, "I have received reports from black and white farmers, black teachers and civil servants that the internal affairs department has instructed people what party to vote for at the actual polling booths."

The internal affairs ministry administers guerrilla-infested rural areas where most blacks live and where polling, officially reported at 63.9 per cent countywide, was lowest.

A spokesman for the elections directorate said, "If Mr. Sithole has any evidence of gross irregularities he should report to

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#### Israeli

Egyptian Israeli peace treaty, and the efforts to achieve a just settlement of the Palestinian issue," it added.

The statement said Egypt wished to point out that "the acts of resistance undertaken by the Palestinian people against the territory of Israel, and the continuation of acts of violence in which many innocent people fall victims, emphasize once again that the way out of this vicious circle, which Egypt regrets, requires speedy

action toward a just settlement of the Palestinian problem...."

In a separate development, a United Nations spokesman in Jerusalem Tuesday denied that Israel was responsible for a heavy bombardment of U.N. forces in south Lebanon last week.

Western military sources in Beirut and U.N. officials quoted by a newspaper in Beirut Tuesday said right-wing militias could not have been responsible for the shelling and that Israel had launched

the attack.

The U.N. spokesman in Jerusalem said: "We receive reports of every shooting incident in south Lebanon and we have not encountered any report which indicated Israel was the origin of last week's shooting."

One Israeli military source described the Beirut reports as "ridiculous and totally unfounded."

About 35 persons were being

treated for wounds at the main hospital, the radio said, four of them listed in critical condition.

Naghadeh, located near the border with Kurdish province, in northwestern Iran, exploded in bitter gunbattles Friday after Turkish tribesmen allegedly opened fire on Kurds attending a political rally at the town's sports stadium.

State radio said Tuesday shops and schools in the town remained closed despite the apparent success of the cease-fire.

The Iranian provisional government sent about 600 combat troops Sunday to restore order in the community after an earlier

#### Iranian

treaty at a cease-fire failed and the unconfirmed death toll mounted.

And in Tehran, Dr. Ibrahim Yazdi, the American-trained doctor who served as a top aide to Ayatollah Khomeini, has taken over officially as Iran's foreign minister and dropped his job as deputy prime minister, government officials said Tuesday.

Yazdi, 46, had been handling the foreign affairs portfolio in addition to his job as deputy prime minister for revolutionary affairs since the resignation of Foreign Minister Karim Sanjabi on April 16. Sanjabi stepped down in protest over "governments within the government."

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Abel Muzorewa, the new prime minister of Zimbabwe-Rhodesia

### Lifting of sanctions?

## Congress to debate Rhodesia

WASHINGTON, April 24 (Agencies)

Jimmy Carter to lift United Nations-mandated sanctions.

A third senator, Jesse Helms, (R-N.C.) a leading critic of the administration's Africa policy, was to introduce new legislation Tuesday requiring the president to lift sanctions.

Under present law, Carter is required to lift sanctions if he finds that the Rhodesian government has made a good faith effort towards an all parties' conference and that a new government based on free elections with internationally-recognized observers is installed.

A State Department spokesman said the president would make his finding based on reports from unofficial observers on the elections held in Rhodesia last week.

"There is a great deal of political pressure, of political sentiment, to drop the sanctions," he



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